

THE  
True-Born *Englishman* :  
A SATYR,

Answer'd,

Paragraph by Paragraph.

*Nescio, quā Natale solum dulcedine cunctas  
Ducit, & immemores non finit esse suis.*  
Ovid.



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TO THE  
Right Worshipful  
Sir *Charles Duncomb, Knt.*  
And Alderman of the City of *London.*

SIR,

THO' Your Merit has such an e-  
stablish'd Basis, that neither the  
Malice of the *Evil Speaker*, nor  
the restless Attempts of the *Evil Doer*  
can shake it; and Your Memory stands  
secur'd of Fame and Immortality, in  
spight of the Murmurs of the Sediti-  
ous, and the prevailing Numbers of a  
sort of People who are unacquainted  
with *Justice* or *fair Dealing*; yet 'tis  
but fitting that some should stand up  
in Vindication of what every one should  
defend, and Assert the Cause of a Gen-  
tleman whose *Works of Charity* deserve  
better returns than the Base and *Un-  
charitable* Reflections that are flung up-  
on him.

## Epistle Dedicatory.

But you have this Consolation amongst the Clamours of the Ungrateful, that the same Person who makes it his Business to misrepresent Your Vertues and render 'em *Odipus* (if possible) to Posterity, has done the same by Your Country; and as you have alway's stood up for the Kingdoms good against all manner of Opposers, so you are now a sufferer with it, from the Calumnies that are equally darted against Both.

To be a Patriot in these days, is to provide a Task for the Tongues of the Envious, and to give Alms and Relieve those that are in want, is immediately set down for an *Act of Ostentation*; else, Sir *Charles Duncomb* had seen his Countrymen *Reap* the Fruits of what he *Sow'd*, and the Voice of the People had bless'd him for giving Ear to the Cry of the Prisoners, and plentifully dealing part of what he was possess'd of to People in Distress.

But I give more Offence to your Patience in rememb'ring you of the *Good* you have done, than the *Poetaster*, who has occasion'd the following Remarks, by putting on the Readers belief by the *Ill* you have *not*; and it is equally troublesome to be accus'd of Faults  
you

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you are not Guilty of, as it is to be told of Vertues which are inherent in Your Temper, and Shine with such a continued Lustre in all Your Actions.

I shall therefore only leave my Petition behind me, for Your Acceptance, of what the knowledge of Your Worth has occasion'd; and if the ~~Papers~~ I have written, have not done that Justice, either to my Country or Your Self, Which both deserv'd, that You would give me leave to beg pardon for their Defects, and impute 'em to the too hasty Zeal of,

*Sir,*

*Your most Humble*

*And most Obedient*

*Servant.*

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PREFACE.

**T**here being nothing material in the Preface to this scurrilous Satyr, that has not been repeated over and over again in the Body of it; I cannot but think it very suitable to the Business in hand, to forbear making any further Remarks on the Poets Indecencies, and apply my self to make Excuses for my own.

If the Performance I have let loose into the World is Bad, I have nothing to urge in my own defence, but the hast I was oblig'd to make in the finishing it, thro' the desire of two or three Friends, and the difficulty there is in answering a Pamphlet Paragraph by Paragraph, which has such a Redundancy of Tautologies, as this has.

I should indeed have made my Reply to it in Verse, that being counted the fairer way of entring the Lists with a Poet, but as I never had any great Inclination to Dactyls and Spondees, so I was afraid I should shew my self as great a Bungler at the Trade of Rhyming as the Person has convinc'd the World he is, whom I write in opposition to.

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# The Prefage.

However, since he ends his Preface in Verse, I hope I shall stand excus'd, if I make use of the same Method, and give the Reader a short Specimen of my Poetry, after he has tyr'd him with a large one of his. My Intent at first, notwithstanding my small Acquaintance with the Nine Water drinking Ladies the Muses, was to have taken up the Cudgels with him in Verse, but such a Design requiring more Time than I have to bestow upon Poetry, I thought it advisable to lay it aside, that I might drudge on in the Beaten Way of good Honest, Humble Prose, and have flung by the following Lines which were written as so many Answers to his two first Paragraphs.

Satyr, Arise, Thy Whips and Stings provide,  
And shake thy Scorpions on thy Country's side,  
While her own Sons their Parents Bowels tear,  
And meditate a more than Civil War. [ Breed  
Speak, speak the Cause that make's the Vip'rous  
The Rules of Modesty and Truth exceed,  
Eager to deal about their want of Shame,  
And impiously Blaspheme BRITANNIA's Name.

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The Land has yet, tho' punish'd for it's Crimes,  
Patriots who dare be just in thankless Times,  
Whom neither Gifts nor Pensions can Persuade  
Tamely to see their Liberties betray'd,  
Or Forreigners their proper Rights invade.

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Not that they would Alliances disclaim,  
But *D—ch*-Men are at *Home* at *Am—am*,  
And it has been a Customary thing  
For *Englishmen* to serve an *English* King.  
Else had our Senators with Patience heard  
Myn Heer to *Pr—cip—lity* prefer'd  
And *H—* deservedly the Nation's Boast,  
Forborn Reflections on a *P—g—*'s Post.  
But since *Excess* of *R—y—* *I* Bounty falls,  
And He Commands within the *P—lace* Walls;  
Since on his Leg the *British* Order shines,  
And He disdain's His Belgick Father's Loyns,  
*The Golden-Key* not make's the Patriot speak,  
But *England's* Honour, and His Country's sake.

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A S it is the Duty of every one, that breaths *English* Air, to stand up for the Place of his Nativity, and Vindicate the *English* Nation from the Reproaches which Malice would fainten on it; so I cannot but think my self oblig'd to take notice of a Libel which has stoln into the World, under the Name of a Satyr, and dispersed its Venom in a conealed manner, against People whose Reputation in the Arts of War and Peace has rendered them Famous throughout all Christendom. Had the Author of it been *an open Enemy*, perhaps, I could have born it; but he is our *Acquaintance*, and our *familiar Friend*, a Man subject to the same Laws as *Englishmen* are, and liable to the same Obligations; entertained by them, when he was for ed.

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to fly from the Scourges of *Ireland*; and Hospitably received, when he had not where to lay his Head in a Kingdom which owes her Obedience to this. The Printer also is known for what he is, a Sowr, Discontented, Canting Fellow, as ever *Murmured* at falling *Manna*, or found fault with the Bounties of the Almighty. He has formerly been made City Surveyor, for a Crime of the same Nature, and taken a Prospect of its Buildings from his Wooden Edifice in the middle of the Street; and one might have thought, unless he was in love with that Scandalous Office, he would have avoided all manner of Occasion of being *lifted up above his Neighbours* again. But He's arrived to such a heighth of Malignancy, such an inveteracy of Temper, as to be his Author's Humble Servant, while he was Lampooning his God, and making Sport with the Divine Existence of Him that made Him. Therefore 'tis not to be suppos'd he would stick at lending his helping Hand towards Abuses upon the Country where he would have us think him *Born*, after he had been forward in promoting Blasphemous Expressions, against the Holy One of *Israel* that gave him *Breath*. I shall have Field enough elsewhere to take the Author to task, who acknowledged he expected it in his Preface, tho' for other sort of Indecencics, than his *mean Style, rough Verse, and incorrect Language*, and make appear he labours under a greater scarcity of Manners, than the Country he shews his Teeth at ever can. We are happy indeed that a Man of his Character has no great esteem for us, and 'tis a certain sign a People is Good when thofe who are notoriously Wicked, speak reproachfully of 'em; since it must be granted, few Men fall out with



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with their own likenesses, or are at variance with their own Resemblance. But *a Man is known by his Works*, and the way to make him appear in his true Colours, is to search into 'em, and find out the Blackness of his *Soul*, by the foulness of his *Thoughts*. It's fitting therefore we fall into the *SATYR*, and examine whether the Poet be as infamous as the Subject, or he has the same Talent of Ingratitude in Verse, as he is celebrated for in Prose. Mr. T— has a fit of Mortification coming upon him, or he would have less value for the Hungry Entertainments on Mount *Parnassus*, and is reconciling himself to his old Jesuitical Abstinence and Days of Fasting, or he would scarce fall in Love with telling his Fingers, and making wry Faces for adequate Epithets, as he now certainly does. While his versifying Folly gives us Occasion to examine his other faults, and make an Estimate of the last from the wretched Ingredients the first is composed of. But his Poetry carries such an invitation with it, that it's pity the Reader should be any longer detained from it. I shall begin therefore with the Invocation of his Muse which I find is but a very scurvy one by her Name; and, to avoid Confusion, make Remarks on this Celebrated Piece, Paragraph after Paragraph.

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The Introduction.

Speak, Satyr ; for there's none can tell like thee,  
Whether 'tis Folly, Pride, or Knavery,  
That makes the discontented Land appear  
Less happy now in Times of Peace, than War :  
Why Civil Feuds disturb the Nation more  
Than all our Bloody Wars have done before.

Satyr is too mild a Name, and the Design of it too good, to be made use of by such a Person as the Poet ; had he desired the assistance of a Bilinggate Amazon, 'twould have been more agreeable to the Matter contained in the Poem. For Reformation is very far from his Intentions, since to create Jealousies and Uneasiness amongst us, has been always the business of Incendiaries like himself ; and if the Land is discontented, he is mistaken in the Cause of it, which probably is, we have had so much Money spent to support a War, that some People have very little left to enjoy after a Peace.

Fools out of Favour grudge at Knaves in Place,  
And Men are always honest in Disgrace :  
The Court-Preferments make Men Knaves in course :  
But they which wou'd be in them wou'd be worse.  
'Tis not at Foreigners that we repine,  
Wou'd Foreigners their Perquisites resign :  
The Grand Contention's plainly to be seen,  
To get some Men put out, and some put in.

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For this our *S* — — rs make long *Harangues*,  
*And florid M* — — rs whet their *polish'd Tongues*.  
Statesmen are always sick of one Disease;  
And a good *Pension* gives them present Ease,  
*That's the Specifick makes them all content*  
*With any King, and any Government.*  
*Good Patriots at Court-Abuses rail,*  
*And all the Nation's Grievances bewail:*  
*But when the Sov'reign Balsam's once apply'd,*  
*The Zealot never fails to change his Side.*  
*And when he must the Golden Key resign,*  
*The Railing Spirit comes about again.*

The Parliament, in general, is much obliged to him for some Expressions in this Paragraph, and Mr. *H* — — in particular, who I am satisfied loves his Country better than any *Golden Key* whatsoever. Every true Patriot ought to stand up for his own Countrymen; and if Foreigners jump into Posts, that our Civil Constitutions allow *Natives* only to be instated in, 'tis their Business as they are *English* Representatives, to take care of the Peoples Prerogatives they are entrusted with. And if those *florid Members* that stand up for the Liberties of the People, do it for the sake of a *Pension*, he passes a very odd Compliment on His Majesty, by insinuating as much, as when they are sick of the *Money-Distemper*, there is a certain *Court-Elixir* which has been infallible in the Cure of them.

Who shall this Bubbl'd Nation disabuse,  
*While they their own Felicities refuse?*  
Who at the Wars have made such *mighty Pother*,  
*And now are falling out with one another:*

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*With needless Fears the Jealous Nation fill,  
And always have been sav'd against their Will :  
Who Fifty Millions Sterling have disburs'd,  
To be with Peace and too much Plenty curs'd,  
Who their Old Monarch eagerly undo,  
And yet uneasily obey the New.*

*Search, Satyr, search, a deep Incision make ;  
The Poison's strong, the Antidote's too weak.  
'Tis pointed Truth must manage this Dispute,  
And down-right English Englishmen confute.*

If the Nation's *Bubbled*, it's well for the Gamesters at t'other end of the Town; but I am a better Subject than to think so. I hear of no Members that *refuse their own Felicities*, but are against giving away their Birth-right to Strangers. And how we come to be *sav'd against our will*, it's impossible for me to conjecture, when if we had not forwarded our own Salvations, Matters would scarce have been as they now stand, and our New Monarch had not had the Gift of our Obedience, had not we eagerly undone our Old, which is far from being an Act that is involuntary. But our Author is as good at Sense, as he is at Chirurgery, when he is for making *Incisions* instead of giving proper Antidotes to repel Poison.

*Whet thy just Anger at the Nation's Pride ;  
And with keen Phrase repel the Vicious Tide.*

*To Englishmen their own beginnings show, (so.  
And ask them why they slight their Neighbours  
Go back to Elder Times, and Ages past,  
And Nations into long Oblivion cast ;  
To Old Britannia's Youthful Days retire,  
And there for True-Born Englishmen enquire.*

Britannia

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Britannia freely will disown the Name,  
And hardly knows her self from whence they came :  
Wonders that They of all Men shou'd pretend  
To Birth and Blood, and for a Name contend.  
Go back to Causes where our Follies dwell,  
And fetch the dark Original from Hell :  
Speak, Satyr, for there's none like thee can tell.

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Our Author's *Keen Phrase* is made ill use of in this Place, and the question about *slighting* our Neighbours very improper. Because we don't think any of them worthy of the Pr—pal—ty of *Wales*, is that any injury to them? Or that we repine at the Gift of a Blew G—— when our own Noblemen go without it, does that bear the Face of a *Slight*? The common Principle of Nature persuades us to consult our own good first, and he gives a small increase to the Nobility of the D——cb by depretiating the Original of the *English*, who though they have underwent the common Fate of other Conquer'd Countries, have no Lords among them that were *Oil-men*, or *States-men* with *Coronets* on their Coaches, that yesterday shoulder'd a *Bunch of Turnips* from the Market.

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## PART I.

\* **W**Here-ever God erects a House of Prayer,  
 The Devil always builds a Chappel there :  
 And 'twill be found upon Examination,  
 The latter has the largest Congregation :  
 For ever since he first debauch'd the Mind,  
 He made a perfect Conquest of Mankind.  
 With Uniformity of Service, he  
 Reigns with a general Aristocracy.  
 No Nonconforming Sects disturb'd his Reign,  
 For of his Yoak there's very few complain.  
 He knows the Genius and the Inclination,  
 And matches proper Sins for ev'ry Nation.  
 He needs no Standing-Army Government ;  
 He alway rules us by our own Consent :  
 His Laws are easy, and his gentle Sway  
 Makes it exceeding pleasant to obey.  
 The List of his Vicegerents and Commanders,  
 Outdoes your Cæsars, or your Alexanders.  
 They never fail of his Infernal Aid,  
 And he's as certain ne'er to be betray'd.  
 Thro' all the World they spread his vast Command,  
 And Death's Eternal Empire's maintain'd.  
 They rule so politickly and so well,  
 As if they were L—f— of Hell.  
 Duly divided to debauch Mankind,  
 And plant Infernal Dictates in his Mind.

\* An English Proverb, Where God has a Church, the Devil has a Chappel.

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To begin with an *English* Proverb, looks ver-  
ty much as if our Author was no great Doctor  
at *English* Poetry; and though T \_\_\_\_\_ smells  
very much of a Church with a Chimney in it,  
some Roguish sort of Wags will be apt to say,  
he is one of those that plies at the *Devil's Chapel*. I don't mean the Supposititious one, which  
he would have the Church of *England* go by the  
Name of, from its *Uniformity of Service*, but  
*Calves-Head Assemblies*, where Nonconformists  
meet together, on the 30th of January, to give  
Glory to God for his Permission, in suffering  
the best of Kings to be murder'd by his Subjects  
that Day before his own Palace Gates.

Pride, the First Peer, and President of Hell,  
To his share Spain, that largest Province, fell.  
The subtile Prince thought fittest to bestow  
On these the Golden Mines of Mexico;  
With all the Silver Mountains of Peru; (undo,  
Wealth which would, in wise hands, the World  
Because he knew their Genius was such;  
Too Lazy and too Haughty to be Rich.  
So proud a People, so above their Fate,  
That if reduc'd to beg, they'll beg in State.  
Lavish of Money, to be counted Brave,  
And Proudly starve, because they scorn to save.  
Never was Nation in the World before,  
So very Rich, and yet so very Poor.

If Pride had Spain for her Province, Ireland, it's  
certain who had its Inhabitants from thence  
came in for a share of its Governess's Favours,  
and there must needs be a smack of it in the Poet's  
Constitution who (as I have been told) was a

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Priest of that Nation. But how 'tis a *Wise* thing to *undo the World*, I can't imagine, unless Mischief is an instance of Policy, and Barbarity a great Token of *Wisdom*. That's certain if his Doctrine be true, the World's in as as fair a way to be undone, as a Wicked Man can wish, if the Gold of *Feru* being in *Wise bands* (viz.) French Refiners, can make it so.

*Lust chose the Torrid Zone of Italy,  
Where Blood ferments in Rapes and Sodomy :  
Where swelling Veins o'erflow with living Streams,  
With Heat impregnate from Vesuvian Flames :  
Whose flowing Sulphur forms Infernal Lakes,  
And human Body of the Soil partakes.  
There Nature ever burns with hot Desires,  
Fann'd with Luxuriant Air from Subterranean Fires :  
Here undisturb'd in Floods of scalding Lust,  
Th' Infernal King reigns with Infernal Gust.*

Italy is indeed a hot Country, but some degrees cooler than the *West-Indies*, which are beyond the *Line*, and plac'd under the *Torrid Zone*. Had the Poet amongst his other Enquiries consulted the Celestial Globe, he would have said otherwise : But it may be a mistake, and probably he design'd the Satyr upon *Jamaica* or *Barbado's*, which had been proper enough, because so many Letcherous Whores and Rogues have made choice of those Places to reside in. I have heard likewise, that Air has blown up and kindled a Fire, but never was inform'd before, that it was the *Effect* of *Fire*, since I am rather apt to believe it is the *Cause*.

Drunk'ness,

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Drunk'ness, the Darling Favourite of Hell,  
Chose Germany to rule ; and rules so well,  
No Subjects more obsequiously obey,  
None please so well, or are so pleas'd as they.  
The cunning Artist manages so well,  
He lets them Bow to Heav'n, and Drink to Hell ;  
If but to Wine and him they Homage pay,  
He cares not to what Deity they Pray ;  
What God they Worship most, or in what way.  
Whether by Luther, Calvin or by Rome,  
They sail for Heav'n, by Wine be steers theem home.

I perceive now that the Spark has read Heylin's *Cosmography*, and taken the Character of Germany on trust from him. But he cannot assign the same Reasons for their Drunkenness, as he does for the *Italians Lust*, since 'tis certain these Men of *Intemperance*, are no more influenc'd by the *Temperate Zone*, which the greatest part of it lies directly under, than those Children of *Lust* are affected by the *Torrid*. But if none please the Devil so well as they, how comes he, in his Virulent Expressions against the *English*, to say, they are his Chief Favourites ? Contradiction is a Talent peculiar to himself, and evil speaking altogether his own ; else he would not make 'em sail for Heav'n, with old *Nick* at the Helm, plying at the Steerage, or make the Devil bring 'em all into Hell, notwithstanding their Attempts to gain Heav'n, by following the Doctrines of *Luther*, *Calvin*, or *Rome*. An instance of our Author's Thoughts of the weakness of Pray'r, and the inefficacy of any sort of Devotion whatsoever.

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*Ungovern'd Passion settled in France,  
Where Mankind lives in haste, and thrives by Chance.  
A Dancing Nation, Fickle and Untrue :  
Have oft undone themselves, and others too :  
Prompt the Infernal Dictates to obey,  
And in Hell's Favour none more great than they.*

Just before none pleas'd the Devil so well as the *Germans*, but now the Scene's alter'd to *France*, and none are *more greater in his Favour* than the People of that Nation. How to reconcile the Superiority of 'em Both, to *Sence*, I know not, no more than I do the Character he gives the *French Men* of *thriving by Chance*, when their Industry is so well known, as to make their *Misfortunes* the *Effect of Chance*, not the *Success* which generally attends their Endeavours in matters of *Trade*.

*The Pagan World he blindly leads away,  
And Personally rules with Arbitrary Sway :  
The Mask thrown off, Plain Devil his Title stands ;  
And what elsewhere he Tempts, he there Com-  
There with full Gust th' Ambition of his Mind commands,  
Governs, as he of old in Heav'n design'd.  
Worshipp'd as God, his Painim Altars smoke.  
Embru'd with Blood of those that him Invoke.*

One might have thought after he had surrendered the greatest part of Christendom into Satan's Hands ; he would have had some Compassion on his Brother Infidels. But however it happens he falls foul upon them too, as an Enemy of Mankind in general ; and either believing the *Turks* to be true Christians, or numbring them with

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with Cannibals, commits an Error in making them who are part of the *Pagan World*, worship the Devil as God, and offer Humane Sacrifice, at his Altars, which is a sort of Ceremony not us'd in the Eastern Countries, who notwithstanding our Author's boasts of an upright Life, make less Application to the Devil than his Worship, who seems to have a great interest with him.

*The rest by Deputies he rules as well,  
And plants the distant Colonies of Hell.  
By them his secret Power he maintains,  
And binds the World in his Infernal Chains.*

That may be; but I am apt to think, that He that made the World has the Government of it, notwithstanding *Satan's Deputy-Lieutenants*. And one would think from his planting the *distant Colonies of Hell*, he was settling Plantations beyond the South Seas, or had taken possession of some Countries beyond the Moguls, after he had given him the Dominion of all Paganism; but he seldom advises with his Maps, as will be seen by the Country which comes next in Play,

*By Zeal the Irish; and the Rush by Folly:  
Fury the Dane: The Swede by Melancholly:  
By stupid Ignorance, the Muscovite:  
The Chinese by a Child of Hell, call'd Wit:  
Wealth makes the Persian too Effeminate:  
And Poverty the Tartars Desperate:  
The Turks and Moors by Mah'met he subdues:  
And God has giv'n him leave to rule the Jews:  
Rage rules the Portuguese; and Fraud the Scotch:  
Revenge the Pole; and Avarice the Dutch.*

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By my Shoul, Dear Joy is much in the right, to give his own Country the Post of Honour : *Ireland* has *Zeal* for her Lord Deputy, forsooth, when *Ignorance* had been more proper for it, as being that which is most predominant there. And the *Swedes* are Tyrannically dealt with, by the *Hypochondria* ; a Character no Person that knows their way of living can justly give 'em. If *Wit* be a *Child of Hell*, our Author is certainly a *Child of Heaven* ; if those who have no manner of Dealings with it deserve that Name. But what is chiefly observable in this Paragraph, is, that the *Dane* and *Portuguese* are so much of the same Complexion, that *Fury* rules one, and *Rage* the other ; which in my poor sentiments, is, they have the same Constitution of Mind : A miraculous thing, for certain, that Nations should so sympathize, when the last is so near the *Sun*, and the first so far from it.

Satyr be kind and draw a silent Veil,  
Thy Native England's Vices to conceal :  
Or if that Task's impossible to do,  
At least be just, and show her Virtues too ;  
Too Great the first, Alas ! the last too Few. }

Upon my Conscience he need not request his Satyr to be kind, it's inoffensive enough in every thing but Impudence : But he knows his own Temper best, and doubts, that 'tis impossible for him to treat a Country with any manner of Humanity that has used him better than he deserv'd, though he makes a shew of exposing her Virtues to balance her Faults, but has not the heart to do it.

England,

England, unknown as yet, unpeopled lay ;  
Happy, had she remain'd so to this day,  
And not to ev'ry Nation been a Prey.  
Her Open Harbours, and her fertile Plains,  
The Merchants Glory these, and those the Swains,  
To ev'ry Barbarous Nation have betray'd her,  
Who conquer her as oft as they invade her.  
So Beauty guarded but by Innocence,  
That ruins her which should be her Defence.

For my part, I can't find where the *Happiness* of *England* had been to have *lain unpeopled*, when without doubt it was design'd at the Creation for Inhabitants, as well as the rest of the World ; neither can I imagine that Person has any great skill in History, who affirms, that every Barbarous Nation, that attempted to invade *Her*, gain'd their Ends, and were Conquerors. Even *Rome* her self, the Empress of the rest of the World, acknowledged repulses from *Her*, and *Julius Cæsar*'s conquering Arms found a stop to 'em, for a time, by the Valour of *Her* Natives.

Ingratitude, a Devil of Black Renown,  
Possess'd her very early for his own.  
An Ugly, Sullen, Selfish Spirit,  
Who Satan's worst Perfections does inherit :  
Second to him in Malice and in Force,  
All Devil without, and all within him Worse.

If Ingratitude be one of the Ingredients which make up an *Englishman*, the Poet has a Title to be called one of the Blood, for treating him after such an infamous manner : But it's a Mystery to me, how this Devil of *Black Renown*, could be

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be Second to Satan in Malice and in Force, when he was preferable to his Sovereign Lord by being much worse than Him, which in Hell is a mark of precedence.

He made ber First-born Raee to be so rude,  
And suffer'd her to be so oft subdu'd :  
By several Crowds of wandring Thieves o'er-run,  
Often unpeopl'd, and as oft undone.  
While ev'ry Nation that ber Pow'rs reduc'd,  
Their Languages and Manners introduc'd,  
From whose mix'd Relicks our compounded Breed,  
By Spurious Generation does succeed ;  
Making a Race uncertain and unev'n,  
Deriv'd from all the Nations under Heav'n.

Very good, Devil-ingratitude had an excellent hand at Temptation, if he could perswade the First-born to be ungrateful before they had any Benefactors. I always took it for granted, that an ill requital of kind Offices fell under that Name, and no Person could be unthankful for a Courtesie before it was receiv'd. But this Paragraph affords the Reader great choice of Observations : I shall only remark on *as oft unpeopled, and as oft undone*, and desire 'em to consider how that agrees with part of a foregoing Paragraph, that actually says, the Land had been happy had it remain'd unpeopled to this very day.

The Romans first with Julius Cæsar came,  
Including all the Nations of that Name,  
Gauls, Greeks, and Lombards ; and by Computation,  
Auxiliaries or Slaves of ev'ry Nation.  
With Hengist, Saxons ; Danes, with Sueno came,  
In search of Plunder, not in search of Fame.

Scots,

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Scots Picts, and Irish from th' Hibernian Shore:  
And Conqu'ring William brought the Normans o'er.

The Romans, Danes, and Saxons, that's certain:  
Conquer'd us, but the same may be said of each of  
those Countries; the Goths and Vandals, having  
broke in upon the first in such a manner, as to de-  
stroy their very Language, and the other two  
fall'n under the Fate of Vanquish'd Kingdoms. So  
that we have no great reason to undervalue our  
selves on the account of Conquest, when scarce a  
Nation in all Christendom has not had Revoluti-  
ans of the same Nature: But what is the greatest,  
and most scandalous Reflection, he numbers the  
Irish amongst our Conquerours, when it's well  
known that Kingdom is now dependent on the  
English Crown by the Right of Conquest, and that  
they have been ever since their Settlement such  
an inconsiderable People, as our Kings did not  
think it worth their while for a long time to re-  
duce 'em to their present Obedience.

*All these their Barb'rous Of-spring left behind,  
The Dregs of Armies, they of all Mankind;  
Blended with Britains who before were here,  
Of whom the Welch ha' blest the Character.*

In the Nonage of Time there was not that  
distinction made betwixt Man and Man, as there  
is now; and when Armies were undisciplin'd, they  
had no swelling Titles to distinguish one Fellow  
Creature from another: Neither is it probable  
that a Country so inviting as he owns this to be,  
should have only the *Dregs of Armies* for its  
Possessors.

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*From this Amphibious Ill-born Mob began  
That vain ill-natur'd thing, an Englishman.  
The Customs, Surnames, Languages, and Manners,  
Of all these Nation, are their own Explainers :  
Whose Relicks are so lasting and so strong,  
They ha' left a Shibboleth upon our Tongue ;  
By which with easy search you may distinguish  
Your Roman-Saxon-Danish-Norman English.*

The Epithet of *Amphibious* to People who live in an Island, where the Sea, is its defence, is not so scandalous as he design'd it, though the Title he gives our Ancestors of an *Ill-born Mob* sounds very hard. I believe he's so little Conversant in Heraldry as to know nothing of their Originals, neither, while their was a sort of equality among Men, has he any just excuse for lessening the Pedegree of those Fore-fathers, from whence we sprung. As for his finding fault with the Cadence of our Language, I have heard from several hands he has been dabbling at an alteration of it several times to no effect, and I'll defie him to tell me of any modern Tongue which is not made up of a Compound of others, as well as ours, which has risen from the same Cause.

*The great Invading \* Norman let us know  
What Conquerors in After-Times might do.  
To ev'ry † Musqueteer he brought to Town,  
He gave the Lands which never were his own.  
When first the English Crown he did obtain,  
He did not send his Dutchmen home again.*

\* William the Conq.

† Or Archer.

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No Reassumptions in his Reign were known,  
D'avenant might there ha' let his Book alone.  
No Parliament his Army cou'd disband;  
He rais'd no Money, for he paid in Land.  
He gave his Legions their Eternal Station,  
And made them all Freeholders of the Nation.  
He canton'd out the Country to his Men,  
And ev'ry Soldier was a Denizen.  
The Rascals thus enrich'd, he call'd them Lords,  
To please their Upstart Pride with new-made Word;  
And Doomsday-Book his Tyranny records.

What Parallel is there between the Case of *William the Conqueror*, and that of our late Revolution? In his days King *Harold* gave him Battle, and oppos'd Force to Force, which occasion'd a Conquest; but in our Times, His present Majesty was receiv'd by the Consent of the People, invited over by the Nobility and Gentry, and Establish'd in a Throne, which the whole Power of *Holland* could not have plac'd him in without our own Concurrence. Therefore as Matters were different between the Conquerour and him, it was but reasonable that those who had made him King, should send away the Troops that came to our Assistance, since we had not folly enoug<sup>h</sup> to think they would have came to rescue us without assurance of being paid, nor Estates enough to spare to make a Gentleman of every Foot Soldier. Six hundred thousand pound was a greater Reward to the States, than Queen *Elizabeth* had for saving 'em when they wrote themselves, *DISTRESS'D*; and he might have spared the Story, which was more to shew King *William* might have done the same, than to disgrace the Original of our Nobility, though

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what follows shews that also was intended by it.

*And here begins the Ancient Pedigree,  
That so exalts our Poor Nobility :  
'Tis that from some French Trooper they derive,  
Who with the Norman Bastard did arrive :  
The Trophies of the Families appear ;  
Some show the Sword, the Bow, and some the spear,  
Which their Great Ancestor, forsooth, did wear.  
These in the Heralds Register remain,  
Their Noble Mean Extraction to explain.  
Yet who the Hero was, no Man can tell,  
Whether a Drummer or a Colonel :  
The silence Record blushes to reveal  
Their Undescended Dark Original.*

As Kings are the Fountains from whence Honour's are deriv'd, so *William the Conquerour* had as much Right to bestow Titles on his Subjects, as another Prince has on his ; and if the Poet was to search into some Foreign Noblemen's Families, he has such an Esteem for, because they are not *English*, it would be a good while before he could find either *Sword*, or *Bow*, or *Spear*, for their Crest. But he's a Leveller, and though he flatters King *William*, is but for making one Estate of the Three the Nation is compos'd of, and reducing the People under the Government of the People, as in the Year 48.

*But grant the best, How came the Change to pass,  
A True-Born Englishman of Norman Race ?  
A Turkish Horse can show more History,  
To prove his Well-descended Family.*

Conquest,

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Conquest, as by the \* Moderns 'tis exprest,  
May give a Title to the Lands posseſt :  
But that the Longeft Sword ſhould be ſo Civil,  
To make a Frenchman English, that's the Devil.

\* Dr. Sherl. *De Facto.*

To Answer that Question, it is not the Blood makes an *Englishman*, but the Climate ; and it's allow'd by the Civil Law, that whatſoever Kingdom a Person is born in, though of Foreign Parents, he is actually at the time of his Birth a Denizon of it.

These are the Heroes that defiſe the Dutch.  
And rail at new-come Foreigners ſo much ;  
Forgetting that themſelves are all deriv'd  
From the moft Scoundrel Race that ever liv'd.  
A horrid Medly of Thieves and Drones,  
Who ransack'd Kingdoms, and dispeopled Towns.  
The Pict and Painted Britain, Treach'rous Scot,  
By Hunger, Theft, and Rapine, hither brought.  
Norwegian Pirates, Buccaneering Danes,  
Whose Red-hair'd Off-ſpring ev'ry where remains.  
Who join'd with Norman-French, compound the Breed  
From whence your True-born Englishmen proceed.

We have no aversion for 'em, as they are *Dutchmen*, but as they are poſſeſſed of Places of Trust which the Natives of the ſame Country might reasonably expect to have. And whatever our Primitive Original was, the Blood which gave us Being, having iſſued through ſo many Channeſ, might in length of time purge it ſelf off ; and 'tis known by experience, the moft unclean things imaginable, thrown into a running ſtream, leave no infection behind them ; which makes  
against

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against him, if he allows the Circulation of the Blood, which I believe, notwithstanding all his Equivocations, he cannot deny.

*And left by Length of time it be pretended,  
The Climate may this Modern Breed ha' mended,  
Wise Providence, to keep us where we are,  
Mixes us daily with exceeding Care :  
We have been Europe's Sink, the Jakes where she  
Voids all her Offal Out-east Progeny.  
From our Fifth Henry's time, the Strolling Bands  
Of banish'd Fugitives from Neighb'ring Lands,  
Have here a certain Sanctuary found :  
The Eternal Refuge of the Vagabond.  
Wherein but half a common Age of time,  
Borr'wing new Blood and Manners from the Clime,  
Proudly they learn all Mankind to Contemn,  
And all their Race are True-Born Englishmen,*

Here he seems to be apprehensive of the Argument that was made use of against his last ; and to fence it off guards himself with a known untruth. *Henry the Fifth*, a Prince of the greatest Honour imaginable, after his Accession to the Throne, is made to countenance Vagabonds and banish'd Fugitives, when there are many instances to the contrary, if he will take the trouble upon him to read his Life. But were it actually as he would have it, it was always reckon'd no small Reputation for a Kingdom to be a Sanctuary to the Distressed and a Refuge to poor People, who possibly might have other reasons for flying from the Land of their Nativity, than the Crimes he seems to charge 'em with.

Datch,

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Duteh, Walloons, Flemings, Irishmen, and Scots,  
Vaudois, and Valtolins, and Hugonots,  
*In good Queen Bess's Charitable Reign,*  
*Supply'd us with Three hundred thousand Men.*  
Religion, God we thank thee, sent them hither,  
Priests, Protestants, the Devil and all together:  
Of all Professions, and of ev'ry Trade,  
All that were persecuted or afraid;  
Whether for Debt or other Crimes they fled,  
David at Hackelah was still their Head.

This Paragraph being much of the same nature with the former, and written to reproach the Memory of the best of Queens, after he had too hastily shot his Bolt against the most Glorious of our Kings, I shall jump over the repeated Crambe he tires the Reader with, to take notice of his expression, *God we thank thee:* Full of as much Impiety as could come from an Atheist's Mouth, and one who denies all manner of reveal'd Religion. He could have utter'd forth no worse complaints against the Goodness of that infinite Being, had he said, *God, you are only to be blam'd for putting such Whims in the Fools Heads, as the Notions of Religion, and instilling into their empty Skulls the Fears of offending an incensed Deity, which has forced them to quit their own Country, and lie a Rent-charge on our Hands.* Which is downright Blasphemy, or nothing can deserve that Name.

*The Off-spring of this Miscellaneous Crowd,*  
*Had not their new Plantations long enjoy'd,*  
*But they grew Englishmen, and rais'd their Votes*  
*At Foreign Shoals of Interloping Scots.*

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The \* Royal Branch from Pict-land did succeed,  
With Troops of Scots and Scabs from North-by-  
The Seven first Years of his Pacifick Reign, (Tweed.  
Made him and half his Nation Englishmen.

Scots from the Northern Frozen Banks of Tay,  
With Packs and Plods came Whigging all away :  
Thick as the Locusts which in Ægypt swarm'd,  
With Pride and hungry Hopes compleatly arm'd :  
With Native Truth, Diseases, and no Money,  
Plunder'd our Canaan of the Milk and Honey.  
Here they grew quickly Lords and Gentlemen,  
And all their Race are True-Born-Englishmen.

\* King Jam. I.

And what could hinder them from deserving  
the Name, if they were born in *England*? Since they  
were obliged to perform all the Offices of true-  
born *Englishmen*, where is the hurt to give them  
the Title of such? K. James the I. was an excel-  
lent Prince, and his Subjects were truly happy  
under his Reign, which he by way of ridicule  
calls *Pacifick*. And we cannot deny but several  
Families of *Scots* came with him into *England* ;  
but it's worth his Observation to take notice, that  
his chiefest *Favorite* was an *Englishman*, not-  
withstanding his Affection to his own Nation.

The Civil Wars, the common Purgative,  
Which always use to make the Nation thrive,  
Made way for all that strolling Congregation,  
Which throng'd in \* Pious Ch—'s Restauration.  
The Royal Refugee our Breed restores,  
With Foreign Courtiers, and with Foreign Whores :  
And carefully repeopl'd us again,  
Throughout his Lazy, Long, Lascivious Reign,

\* King Chz. II.

With

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With such a bleſt and True-born English Fry,  
As much illustrates our Nobility.

A Gratitude which will so black appear,  
As future Ages must abhor to bear:

When they look back on all that Crimson Flood, (Blood:  
Which stream'd in Lindsey's and Caernarvon's  
Bold Strafford, Cambridge, Capel, Lucas, Lisle,  
Who crown'd in Death his Father's Fun'r'al Pile. —

The Loss of whom, in order to supply  
With True-born English Nobility,  
Six Bastard Dukes survive his Luscious Reign,  
The Labours of Italian C——n,  
French P——h, Tabby S——t, and Cambrian. {  
Besides the Numerous Bright and Virgin Throng,  
Whose Female Glories shade them from my Song.

It's but an odd sort of an Observation, that Countries *thrive by Civil Wars*, since it is evident that where the Seat of a War is, the Trade of that People is at a stand; and had not that injur'd Prince, whom he, for want of due respect to his Memory, brands with the Name of a Refugee, been forc'd by Rebellious Subjects from the Land of his Inheritance, he would have had no Obligations to return to Foreign Courts. But a Party which our Author glories in being a Member of, having been the occasion of his Exile, we may thank them, if he was withdrawn from a due Exercise of those admirable Parts he was the happy Master of; and when he was Professor of a Genius the fittest that could be for business, that he gave himself up too much to his Pleasures. The same reason that persuaded him to a due respect of His late Majesty's Natural Daughters, might have withheld him from abusing his Princeely Sons, some of which have been,

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and are a Pattern of true behaviour to the *English* Court: But where Manners are not, they cannot be expected.

*This Off-spring, if one Age they multiply,  
May half the House with English Peers supply:  
There with true English Pride they may contemn  
S—g and P—d, new-made Noblemen.*

If we had no worse sort of Gentlemen amongst our *English* Nobility, we need not care how many we had of the Breed; no disparagement to S—g and P—d, his new-made Noblemen.

*French Cooks, Scotch Pedlars, and Italian Whores,  
Were all made Lords, or Lords Progenitors.*

*Beggars and Bastards by his new Creation,  
Much multiply'd the Peerage of the Nation;  
Who will be all, e'er one short Age runs o'er,  
As True-Born Lords as those we had before.*

These six Lines should have been explain'd, if he would have any Body know the meaning of them: For I am well assured no *French* Cooks, or *Scotch* Pedlars were ever made Noblemen in the King's Reign, whose Ashes he disturbs so basely. And for the *Italian* Whores he makes mention of they might possibly have been made *Ladies*; though I never heard the *Duchess of Mazarine* had any *English* Title conferr'd on her: But if he is not abandon'd to the want of Sense, as well as good Manners, he must agree with me, their Sex would not permit them to be made *Lords*.

*Then to recruit the Commons he prepares,  
And heal the latent Breaches of the Wars:*

*The*

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The Pious Purpose better to advance,  
H' invites the banish'd Protestants of France :  
Huber for God's sake and their own they fled,  
Some for Religion came, and some for Bread :  
Two hundred thousand Pair of *VV*ooden Shoes,  
*VV*ho, God be thank'd, had nothing left to lose ;  
To Heavn's great Praise did for Religion fly,  
To make us starve our Poor in Charuy.  
In ev'ry Port they plant their fruitful Train,  
To get a Race of True-Born Englishmen :  
*VV*ho Children will, when riper Years they see,  
Be as Ill-natur'd and as Proud as we :  
Call themselves English, Foreigners despise,  
Be surely like us all, and just as wise.

Had our Author any sense of Shame or Christianity in him, he would never blame a Prince for an Action, that has render'd his Name Famous in all the Courts of Europe. When the Professors of Christ's Holy Gospel were expell'd from the Place of their Nativity, he receiv'd them — *Omnium egenos, Urbe, domo Deos* : And more than imitated the Queen of Carthage's Noble Saying of *Non ignora mali miseris succurrere, disco*. He had been hospitably dealt with himself, by the same People, whose Prince's persecuting Genius flung them upon his Protection ; and if there had been Two Millions, instead of Two Hundred Thousand, his Name ought to be had in Everlasting Remembrance ; since to Feed the Hungry, and Cloath the Naked, is so far from the Transgression of a Duty, that it is an actual Performance of our Saviour's Command.

Thus

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Thus from a Mixture of all Kinds began,  
That Het'rogeneous Thing, An Englishman:  
In eager Rapes, and furious Lust begot,  
Betwixt a Painted Britain and a Scot:  
Vvhose gend'ring Off-spring quickly learnt to bow,  
And yoke their Heifers to the Roman Plough:  
From whence a Mongrel half-bred Race there came,  
With neither Name nor Nation, Speech or Fame.  
In whose hot Feins new Mixtures quickly ran,  
Infus'd betwixt a Saxon and a Dane.  
Vvhile their Rank Daughters to their Parents just,  
Receiv'd all Nations with Promiscuous Lust.  
This Nauseous Brood directly did contain  
The well-extracted Blood of Englishmen.

The word *thus*, seems to intimate we Englishmen had our Original from the French Refugees, who have been admitted into the Kingdom these last thirty Years, for no Persecution began in Charles the Second's Reign before. But the Poet being not very good at Connexion, and unsatisfy'd with abusing us in the same Nature before, falls again into the very same malicious Account of our Primitive Rise, on purpose to whet our Memory, and stamp impressions on it of his great Civilities, that we might think of suitable returns.

Vvhich Medly canton'd in a Heptarchy,  
A Rhapsody of Nations to supply,  
Among themselves maintain'd eternal VVars,  
And still the Ladies lov'd the Conquerors.

It seems there were *Ladies* in the time of the Heptarchy, though he allows of no such things as *Lords* before *William the Conqueror*; but tho'

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he seems to have a respect for the Fair Sex by the Title he gives 'em, he deserves to lose much of their esteem (if he ever had any of it) for the Character he gave the Women in those Times of being *Mercenary*, and in *Love* with the *strongest* side.

*The Western-Angels all the rest subdu'd;*  
*A bloody Nation, barbarous and rude:*  
*Who by the Tenure of the Sword possest*  
*One part of Britain and subdu'd the rest.*  
*And as great things denominate the small,*  
*The Conqu'ring Part gave Title to the Whole.*  
*The Scot, Pict, Britain, Dane submit,*  
*And with the English-Saxon all unite:*  
*And these the Mixture have so close pursued,*  
*The very Name and Memory's subdu'd:*  
*No Roman now, no Britain does remain;*  
*Wales strove to separate, but strove in vain:*  
*The silent Nations undistinguish'd fall,*  
*And Englishman's the common Name for all.*  
*Fate jumbl'd them together, God knows how;*  
*Whate'er they were, they're True-born English now.*

We have had as much before, in good honest Prose, which has more Beauties in it than his lamentable Verse, that the *Western-Angles* Conquer'd the rest; but the Parts which were Conquer'd, as the *East-Angles*, &c. help'd to give the whole Country the Name of *England*, as well as that which had subdu'd 'em. Which shews the Poet lies under a mistake, and is guilty of some escapes in Matters of History. But what deserves our notice more particularly, is his making the Conquerors who were Inhabitants of the Western Parts, *Bloody*, *Barbarous*, and

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and *Rude*, when 'tis apparent in our *Chronicles*  
those of the *North* were the most *Cruel*, on  
purpose to taint the *Nation* in general, which  
had submitted to the Conquest of those *Inhumane*  
*People*, with the *faid Vices*.

*The Wonder which remains is at our Pride,*  
*To value that which all wise Men deride.*  
*For Englishmen to boast of Generations*  
*Cancels their Knowledge, and lampoons the Nation,*  
*A True-Born Englishman's a Contradiction,*  
*In Speech an Irony, in Fact a Fiction.*  
*A Baneer made to be a Test of Fools,*  
*Which those that use it justly ridicules.*  
*A Metaphor invented to express*  
*A Man a-kin to all the Universe.*

Pride was wholly attributed to the *Spaniards* sometime before, but now 'tis the property of the *English*. Either his Memory is very treacherous, or he has been so lavish of the Vices he has charg'd us with, that he is forc'd to have recourse to those he has flung upon others, because of the lowness of his Stock. And if we are *a-kin to all the Universe*, we have a multitude of Noble Relations for certain, which renders us above the common *Dregs of all Mankind*, without any manner of Question.

*For as the Scots, as Learned Men ha' said.*  
*Throughout the World their Wandring Seed ha' spread,*  
*So open-handed England, 'tis believ'd,*  
*Has all the Gleaning of the World receiv'd,*

The Travelling of the *Scots*, is an Argument of their enquiries after Knowledge, a Virtue for which

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which they are unreproachable; therefore our Author does very ill to make use of **Cleaveland's Word** (*Wandring*) unless he had been gifted with **Cleaveland's Wit**: But how he can prove that *England* has receiv'd all the Gleamings of the World, unless he can make appear we had any Forefathers from *Japan* and *China*, I can't imagine.

*Some think of England was our Saviour mean,  
The Gospel should to all the World be sent:  
Since when the blessed Sound did birher reach,  
They to all Nations might be said to Preach.*

Though he pretends to make out our Original, he's more than Presumptuous to explain our Saviour's Doctrine after that manner. I am apt to think, those are no one's Sentiments but his own; and notwithstanding the dangerous Opinion he has of no such Person in the blessed Trinity, no Man that has the Name of a Christian, but will conclude that Christ's Predictions will be fulfill'd, without any such mean Evasion as he impiously lays hold on.

*'Tis well that Virtue gives Nobility,  
Else God knows where we had our Gentry;  
Since scarce one Family is left alive,  
Which does not from some Foreigner derive:  
Of Sixty thousand English Gentlemen,  
Whose Names and Arms in Registers remain,  
We challenge all our Heralds to declare  
Ten Families which English-Saxons are.*

'Tis well (to use his own words) will acknowledge any such thing as Virtue to be a-mongst

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mongst us. It's a Condescension he has not before been guilty of, and if we have Sixty Thousand English Gentlemen, it's no Matter whether they are deriv'd from the *Saxons* or no, since we had People that have Coquer'd us of as great Antiquity as them;

France justly boasts the *Ancient Noble Line*  
Of Bourbon, Mommorency, and Lorrain.  
The Germans to the House of Austria show,  
And Holland their Invincible Nassau.  
Lines which in Heraldry were *Ancient grown*,  
Before the Name of Englishman was known.  
Even Scotland too her Elder Glory shows,  
Her Gourdons, Hamiltons, and her Monroes ;  
Dowglas, Mackays, and Grahams, Names well  
Long before *Ancient England* knew her own. (known,

France, and both the *Germany's High and Low*, have chang'd their Masters as often as us ; and though they have great swelling Names, some of our Families may be no more obscure than theirs, since we have the same Reasons to boast of their Antiquity. And our Poetaster had paid ne'er the less Difference to the *Invincible Nassau*, had he plac'd his Grand-Fathers Family (viz. that of the *Stewarts*) which is the most Ancient in *Scotland*, before that of *Monroe*, which I never heard was Famous for any Member of it, but one Mr. *Monroe*, who is a celebrated *Tobacconist*.

But England, *Modern to the last degree*,  
Borrows or makes her own *Nobility*  
And yet she boldly boasts of *Pedigree* :

Repines

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Repines that Foreigners are put upon her,  
And talks of her Antiquity and Honour:

Her S—lls, S—ls, C—ls, De—M—rs, }  
M—ns and M—ues, D—s and V—rs, }

Not one have English Names, yet all are English }  
Four H—ns, P—llons, and L—iers, [Peers.] }

Pass now so True-Born English Knights and Squires, }  
And make good Senate-Members, or Lord Mayors. }

Wealth, howsoe'er got, in England makes:

Lords of Mechanicks, Gentlemen of Rakes.

Antiquity and Birth are needless here;

Tis Impudence and Money makes a P—r.

The Names may be *French*, on Account of the *Norman Invasion*; but it's the Title that makes the Nobleman, which cannot be said to be borrow'd. If the Kings of *England* could not make their own Peers, they would have less Prerogative than the meanest Soveraign Princes, who have a Right to multiply the number of 'em as they please. And if *Impudence and Money make a Peer* in these Days, he has made a pretty sort of a Complement to His present Majesty, whom we shall find he has Written a most Bombast Harrangue in Verse upon, and been after his laudable Custom, exceeding Civil to the Duke, and Earl, whom he would have preferable to King *Charles the Second's Sons*.

Innumerable City-Knights we know,  
From Blewcoat Hospitals and Bridewel flow.  
Draymen and Porters fill the City Chair,  
And Foot-boys Magisterial Purple wear.  
Fate has but very small Distinction set  
Betwixt the Counter, and the Coronet.

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*Tarpaulin Lords, Pages of High Renown,  
Rise up by Poor Men's Valour, not their own.  
Great Families of yesterday we show, (who  
And Lords, whose Parents were the Lord knows*

It's a sign, when People rise in the World, and make a Figure from small Beginnings, Industry has had a great hand in their Promotion; and when People of indifferent Circumstances are advanc'd to Honour, there is an encouragement of Vertue going forward. The Common Seaman's Labours may do much towards the gaining a Naval Victory; but it is the Admiral's Conduct that brings it to pass; and though *English* Pages for their Bravery at Sea are made Lords, it is not a thing to be wondred at, since a certain Gentleman, belonging to a Nation he's so fond of has had more than the same Honour done him, for *none* of those Performances.

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## P A R T. II.

**T**HE Breed's describ'd: Now Satyr, if you can,  
Their Temper show, for Manners makes the  
Fierce as the Britain, as the Roman Brave; (Man.  
And less inclin'd to Conquer than to Save:  
Eager to Fight, and lavish of their Blood;  
And equally of Fear and Forecast void.  
The Pict has made 'em Sowre, the Dane Morose;  
False from the Scot, and from the Norman worse.  
What Honesty they have, the Saxon gave them.  
And That, now they grow old, begins to leave them.

*The*

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*The Climate makes them Terrible and Bold ;  
And English Beef their Courage does uphold :  
No Danger can their Daring Spirit pall,  
Always provided that their Belly's full.*

This Paragraph makes our Author look like a *Roman* himself, though he will allow none of us to be any thing like them, ( when they have left their Brood behind them, without doubt, as well as any of our other Conquerors ; ) and he seems like *Janus* to carry his Head two ways : One while, he commends us for our Valour ; another, rails against us for our Falshood. He names the Nations that bequeathed us the Vices he makes mention of ; and for our Stock of Honesty, because he would make it as small as he could, the *Saxons* forsooth, above all other People, must be our Benefactors in leaving us that. A valuable sort of Gift, indeed, when according to his Challenge, out of 60000 Families, ten of them have not so much as a drop of their Blood in them.

*In close Intrigues their Faculty's but weak,  
For gen'rally whate'er they know they speak :  
And often their own Councils undermine  
By their Infirmitie, and not Design.  
From whence the Learned say, it does proceed,  
That English Treasons never can succeed :  
For they're so open-hearted, you may know  
Their own most secret Thoughts, and others too.*

If the English betray the Secrets that are committed to them, by *Infirmitie*, not by any *Design*, it's as plain as the Nose in his Face they are *Honest* ; which contradicts the Character he gave of them in the foregoing Paragraph. And as that implies

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implies a Contradiction to *Sense*, so the Character he gives them, of having Faculties too weak for Intrigues, is a downright contradiction to *Truth*; since we have Statesmen now in being, and *Englishmen* too, not inferiour to the *Richlieu's* and *Mazarine's* of *France*; or any hard Names whatsoever the *Dutch* are distinguish'd by. And it's beyond all manner of doubt certainly true, that the last might have been glad to have got back to the *Texel* again, had not some *Wise Gentlemen*, that liv'd near the *Thames*, laid their Heads together, in order to forward the *Happy Revolution* they boast of.

*Th' Lab'ring Poor, in spight of Double Pay,  
Are Sawcy, Mutinous, and Beggarly?  
So lavish of their Money and their Time,  
That want of Forecast is the Nation's Crime.  
Good Drunken Company is their Delight,  
And what they get by Day, they spend by Night.  
Dull Thinking seldom does their Heads engage,  
But Drink their Youth away, and hurry on Old  
Empty of all good Husbandry and Sense; (Age.  
And void of Manners most, when void of Pence.  
Their strong Aversion to Behaviour's such,  
They always talk too little, or too much.  
So dull, they never take the pains to think;  
And seldom are good-natur'd but in Drink.*

He's *Almanzor*-like for killing all, and making a compleat Victory over the whole *English* Race. The Nobility and Gentry have had a Tast of his Fury, and he'll be impartial, and fall upon the Poor also; when if they were so *lavish* of their *Money and Time*, as he would persuade us they are, few of 'em would come to wear *Gold Chains* which

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which he blames them for, or shew their Charity in *Magisterial Purple*, which has been such a mortification to him ; and if they had not given themselves Time to think, they would never have arriv'd at.

*In English Ale their dear Enjoyment lies,  
For which they'll starve themselves and Families.  
An Englishman will fairly drink as much  
As will maintain two Families of Dutch :  
Subjecting all their Labours to the Pots ;  
The greatest Artists are the greatest Sots.*

I never heard but the *Dutch* were as good Toss-Pots as our selves, tho' he would have us believe, *one Englishman can drink as much as will maintain two Families of 'em*. However he has made amends for that known *Lye*, by giving his Assent to a known *Truth*, which is, that we are more dexterous at Business than them, and are the *greatest* Artists by consequence, since he has the ill manners to call us the *greatest Sots*.

*The Country Poor do by Example live ;  
The Gentry lead them, and the Clergy drive :  
What may we not from such Examples hope ?  
The Landlord is their God, the Priest their Pope.  
A Drunken Clergy, and a Swearing Bench,  
Has given the Reformation such a Drench,  
As Wise Men think there is some cause to doubt,  
Will purge good Manners and Religion out.*

The way to abolish Religion, which has been the main design of our Author, is to make the Clergy look little in the Eyes of the Laity ; and he has laid hold of effectual means to further his intentions,

intentions, nothing being more capable to draw the People from the Respect which is due to them, so much as the imputation of Drunkenness, unless they open their Eyes and examine into the Character of him that charges them with it. But God be thank'd, we have the soberest Clergy in the World; our Ministers are Men of exemplary Lives, as well as great Learning; and our Gentry's Tenants are so far from standing in such a reverential Awe of their Landlords, that they are Gentlemen themselves in respect to the Boors beyond Sea.

*Nor do the Poor alone their Liquor prize,  
The Sages joyn in this great Sacrifice.  
The Learned Men who study Aristotle,  
Correct him with an Explanation-Bottle;  
Praise Epicurus rather than Lysander,  
And \* Aristippus more than Alexander.  
The Doctors too their Galen here resign,  
And generally prescribe Specifick Wine.  
The Graduates Study's grown an easier Task,  
While for the Urinal they toss the Flask.  
The Surgeon's Art grows plainer ev'ry Hour,  
And Wine's the Balm which into Wounds they pour.*

\* The Drunkards Name for Canary.

The reason he has for pecking at our Universities, is, because the Vice-Chancellor of one of them, civilly desired him to withdraw himself from it, for fear of his corrupting young Gentlemen-Student's Morals, which he had an excellent Talent at; otherwise common Justice would have forc'd him to own, there are the most excellent Scholars in them, which are to be found in any place of Learning throughout all

all Europe ; and the Statutes are so regularly put in force against all manner of Licentiousness, that he has no manner of excuse for the Scandal he charges them with. English Physicians also are Men of the best Reputation in that Faculty throughout the whole Universe. and to speak against our Practitioners dexterity in Chirurgery, is to give the lye to demonstration, and vent a known falsehood, in the room of that which is true.

*Poets long since Parnassus have forsaken,  
And say the Ancient Bards were all mistaken.  
Apollo's lately abdicate and fled,  
And good King Bacchus reigneth in his stead :  
He does the Chaos of the Head refine,  
And Atom-thoughts jump into Words by Wine.  
The Inspiration's of a finer Nature ;  
As Wine must needs excel Parnassus Water.*

One may perceive by his hungry insipid Lines he's a Fresh-water Poet, and that Wine is very far from having any such thing as Inspiration in it, if he makes use of it. That is, for certain *Apollo* would abdicate, if he was in danger of having good Sense and Verse murder'd by the rest of his Subjects, as he has done ; and *Helicon* would be soon drunk up, were the rest of the Fraternity troubled so much with the *Heart-burning* as he is. But your Man of Verse that would acquire Fame by his Writings knows better, and to perpetuate his Memory like one of his Predecessors, always goes, — *Bene Potus ad Arma.*

*Statesmen their weighty Politicks refine,  
And Soldiers raise their Courages by Wine.*

Cæcilia

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Cæcilia gives her Choristers their Choice,  
And lets them all drink Wine to clear the Voice.

As for our Statesmen, without Question, the making their Heads *hot* is not the way to make their Thoughts *sedate* and *cool*, and it's evident from the success of their Counsels, our Author is no great Politician himself. It's apparent also he's no Songster, since he understands the Customs of Singing-Men so little, as to make them Drunkards, when strong Liquors are the most Pernicious things to a good Voice, and the likeliest imaginable to take their livelyhood from 'em.

Some think the Clergy first found out the way,  
And Wine's the only Spirit by which they Pray.  
But other less prophane than so agree,  
It clears the Lungs, and helps the Memory:  
And therefore all of them Divinely think,  
Instead of Study, 'tis as well to drink.

For certain he's not one of the *less prophane*, by the wicked Expressions that come from him; And 'tis evident he seems to agree with the Belief of the Jews, who said the Apostles were drunk with *New Wine*, when they were declaring the Message of the most High God. So that the Reader may find what Sect he belongs to, since he is against the Churches Response, of, *with thy Spirit let us pray*.

And here I would be very glad to know,  
Whether our Asgilites may drink or no.  
Th' Enlight'ning Fumes of *VVine* would certainly  
Assist them much when they begin to fly:  
Or if a Fiery Chariot shou'd appear,  
Inflam'd by *VVine*, they'd ha' the less to fear.

He's

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He's resolv'd to pull every Body in by the Neck and Shoulders, and Mr. *Asgil* is maul'd off next for his notion of *Translation*; but in such a manner, that any Man would deserve the Name of a Wise one, that could find out where the Satyr Bit. He asks a Question, and answers it himself; for if it would give Wings to *Asgil*'s Disciples, and guard 'em from the *Fear of Death*, without doubt Mr. *Asgil* would not forbid 'em the use of a Liquor, which would be very instrumental in forwarding their *Translation*.

Even the Gods, themselves, as Mortals say,  
Were they on Earth, wou'd be as drunk as they:  
Nectar would be no more Celestial Drink,  
They'd all take Wine, to teach them how to Think.  
But English Drunkards, Gods and Men outdo,  
Drink their Estates away, and Senses too.  
Colon's in Debt, and if his Friends should fail  
To help him out, must die at last in Gaol:  
His Wealthy Uncle sent a Hundred Nobles  
To pay his Trifles off, and rid him of his Troubles:  
But Colon, like a True-Born Englishman,  
Drank all the Money out in bright Champaign;  
And Colon dies in Custody remain.  
Drunk'ness has been the Darling of the Realm,  
E'er since a Drunken Pilot had the Helm.

What he brings the Gods in for, is a secret to me, unless he would shew he has read Poetry, though he is Master of none of the Beauties of it. And whom he means by *Colon* I can't tell; but if it be any particular Person, he points his harmless Satyr at, it is foreign to the purpose,

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since he designs it as a Reflection against the *English* in general. For though there may be a *Colon* or two, or many more in the Nation, he has no Authority to infer from thence, that Drunkenness is the darling Vice in it; or to shew the Partiality of his Spleen, if it were so, by dating it from the Reign of a Prince whom he had before rendred infamous for a Vice which is not consistent with it.

*In their Religion they are so unev'n,  
That each Man goes his own By-way to Heav'n.  
Tenacious of Mistakes to that degree,  
And ev'ry Man pursues it sep'rately,  
And fancies none can find the Way but he :  
So shy of one another they are grown,  
As if they strove to get to Heav'n alone.  
Rigid and Zealous, Positive and Grave,  
And ev'ry Grace, but Charity, they have :  
This makes them so Ill-natur'd and Uncivil,  
That all Men think an Englishman the Devil.*

Any one may perceive he's for voting for an *Act of Comprehension*, and that he would have all the straggling Sects whatsoever enjoy the same Privileges with those that are actually in common with the Establish'd Church. Though by his saying they are *tenacious of mistakes*, he seems to conclude every different sort of Religion practic'd in these Realms is *false*, and none but the phantaſtical Schemes he proposes to us as Matters of Faith, *true*,

*Surly to Strangers, Froward to their Friend ;  
Submit to Love with a reluctant Mind ;  
Resolv'd to be ungrateful and unkind.*

*If*

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If by Necessity reduc'd to ask,  
The Giver has the difficultest Task :  
For what's bestow'd they awkwardly receive,  
And always Take less freely than they Give.  
The Obligation is their highest Grief ;  
And never love, where they accept Relief.  
So sullen in their Sorrows, that 'tis known,  
They'll rather die than their Afflictions own :  
And if reliev'd, it is too often true,  
That they'll abuse their Benefactors too :  
For in Distress their Haughty Stomach's such,  
They hate to see themselves oblig'd too much.  
Seldom contented, often in the wrong ;  
Hard to be pleas'd at all, and never long.

As for the Character he gives us in the beginning of this Paragraph, it's so inconsistent with an *English Temper*, that he needs nothing but his own Words to refute him ; and if we take less freely than we give, it's a plain Argument against that lowness of Birth, he would tax us with, and shews our Generosity to be such, that we take more Pleasure in having our own Beneficences accepted, than to give our acceptance of those of others. Which is so far from any thing that tends to our disparagement, that it is a Virtue we ought to be priz'd above our Neighbours for, and an Excellence of that uncommon Nature, that makes us Superior to the rest of those Nations that People the World.

If your Mistakes their Ill Opinion gain,  
No Merit can their Favour reobtain :  
And if they're not Vindictive in their Fury,  
'Tis their unconstant Temper does secure ye :  
Their Brain's so cool, their Passion seldom burns ;  
For all's condens'd before the Flame returns :

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*The Fermentation's of so weak a Matter,  
The Humid damps the Fume, and runs it all to Water,  
So though the Inclination may be strong,  
They're pleas'd by Fits, and never angry long.*

If we are *inconstant* in our *Temper*, we should certainly, by the frequent changes it is guilty of, sometime or other fall into a *Vindictive Fury*, and resent *Affronts* which are put upon us ; but if we are such *Strangers* to *Passion*, what a *murrain* is become of the *Danish Fury*, and the *Portuguese Rage*, which he not long since said had such an *Ascendant* over us ? And for the *Humid* to *damp the Fume*, he might have as well said, one moist thing adds moistness to another, which proceeds from no *Antipathy* of one different *Quality* to another, as he ignorantly would have it.

*Then if Good Nature shows some slender proof,  
They never think they have Reward enough :  
But like our Modern Quakers of the Town,  
Expect your Manners, and return you none.*

The last Distich agrees very little with the first, and I find he's not over-happy in making Similitudes ; for if we are the *Benefactors* (which he calls *a slender Proof of good Nature*) it's our Business to *receive acknowledgments*, and not *return 'em* before any such thing is paid us.

*Friendship, tb' abstracted Union of the Mind,  
Whicb all Men seek, but very few can find :  
Of all the Nations in the Universe,  
None talk on't more, or understand it less :  
For if it does their Property annoy,  
Their Property their Friendship will destroy.*

As

As I take it, *Friendship* is the *Union* of two distinct *Minds*, and not of one; neither is it an *Abstract* of *Agreement*, which is a sort of an *Epitome* of *Happiness*; but an *entire*, *perfect*, and *compleat* *Enjoyment* betwixt one *Soul* and another. And if we were so unhappy as to deserve the *Character* he gives, we have this *comfort* since very few *Nations* are *Masters* of this *Friendship*, as to have a great many *Countries* (and amongst them perhaps his beloved *Dutchland*) who share with us in the want of it.

*As you discourse them, you shall hear them tell  
All things in which they think they do excel;  
No Panegyrick needs their Praise record;  
An Englishman ne'er wants his own good Word,  
His first Discourses gen'rally appear  
Prologu'd with his own wond'rous Character;  
When, to illustrate his own good Name,  
He never fails his Neighbour to defame:  
And yet he really designs no wrong;  
His Malice goes no further than his Tongue.  
But pleas'd to Tattle, be delights to Rail,  
To satisfie the Lech'ry of a Tale.  
His own dear Praises close the ample Speech,  
Tells you how Wise he is; that is, how Rich:  
For Wealth is Wisdom; he that's Rich is Wise,  
And all Men Learned Poverty despise.  
His Generosity comes next, and then.  
Concludes that he's a True-born Englishman;  
And they, 'tis known, are Generous and Free,  
Forgetting, and Forgiving Injury:  
Which may be true, thus rightly understood,  
Forgiving Ill-Turns, and Forgetting Good.*

Were our Author an *Englishman*, as he would perswade us he is, he would have contradicted himself in this point, and been so far from giving himself his own good Word, that he would have shewn he had pick'd out the worst he could find in the whole *English* Vocabulary. But he is more partial than so, and being of another Nation, flings all the dirt that is possible upon us. Tho' I dare swear he is in the wrong, for charging our Rich Natives with boasting of their Riches, since 'tis manifest there is no People in the Universe, that are more cautious of having their Wealth known than the generality of Ours; witness the Numbers in this Kingdom that are possessed of vast Sums, and yet would have the World believe nothing like it. As for our *forgiving Ill Turns*, we thank him for the Character, and take it for our own, being in hopes he will apply that of *forgetting Good* to himself, since he has been so unthankful for the Favours he has receiv'd here, and so ungenerous as to return the Mercy of a Nation, who might have handled him very severely for his impious Writings, with so barbarous a Treatment.

*Chearful in Labour when they've undertook it ;  
But out of Humour, when they're out of Pocket.  
But if their Belly and their Pocket's full,  
They may be Phlegmatick, but never Dull :  
And if a Bottle does their Brains refine,  
It makes their Wit as sparkling as their Wine.*

His Satyr now bears the countenance of Panegyrick, and he has taken off the Scandal, he before fastened on us, of being a lazie People, by putting

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putting that of our being *cheerful in Labour* in its room ; and if a *Bottle refines our Brains*, and gives a spiritual influence to our *Wit*, it very much makes against his side, who has blamed us for diverting our selves over it.

*As for the general Vices which we find  
They're guilty of in common with Mankind,  
Satyr, forbear, and silently endure ;  
We must conceal the Crimes we cannot cure.  
Nor shall my Verse the brighter Sex defame ;  
For English Beauty will preserve her Name.  
Beyond dispute, Agreeable and Fair ;  
And Modester than other Nations are :  
For where the Vice prevails, the great Temptation  
Is want of Money, more than Inclination.  
In general, this only is allow'd,  
They're something Noisy, and a little Proud.*

We have all manner of reason to thank him for his great condescension, in being graciously pleas'd to shew his compassion in concealing our Vices, after he has charged us with all the Devil could put in his Head ; and, if he must not divulge the *crimes he cannot cure*, he has already broke through that prohibition, by making mention of so much as every Fault, the happiness of his Invention could furnish him with, since very few Patients will accept of a Cure, were Old-Nick is known to be the Doctor. As for the Ladies, they are in his favour, though I question whether he will be in theirs, since to make them *Noisy and Proud* is enough to put them out of Humour.

*An Englishman is gentlest in Command ;  
Obedience is a Stranger in the Land : Hardly*

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*Hardly subjected to the Magistrate ;  
For Englishmen do all Subjection hate.*

*Humblest when Rich, but peevish when they're Poor ;  
And think whate'er they have, they merit more.*

If an Englishman is gentle in Command, and does not curb in those who are put under him with too stiff a Rein, he is certainly praise-worthy, and is deservedly had in esteem : But if Obedience be a Stranger in the Land, how comes it about that His present Majesty is own'd as such throughout all the Three Kingdoms. To be humblest when rich, is also a certain token of an innate Goodness ; but to reconcile what follows with it, is beyond my Ability, since if their increase of Wealth is an increase of their Humility, they can never be unsatisfied, and think they merit more.

Shamwhig pretends t' ha' serv'd the Government,  
But baulk'd of due Reward, turns Malecontent.  
For English Christians always have regard  
To future Recompences of Reward.  
His forfeit Liberty they did restore,  
And gave him Bread, which he had not before.  
But True-born English Shamwig lets them know,  
His Merit must not lie neglected so.  
As Proud as Poor, his Masters be'll defy ;  
And writes a Piteous \* Satyr upon Honesty.  
Some think the Poem had been pretty good,  
If he the Subject had but understood.  
He got Five Hundred Pence by this, and more,  
As sure as he had ne'er a Groat before.

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\* Satyr in Praise of Folly and Knavery.

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To call Tutchin a *Shamrog*, is directly to affirm, he has not half the ill Qualities of a *Whig*, as he would have him. For my part, I must own, I think he has the particular Characteristic of that Rebellious, and Whining Sect, if a Murmuring Genius, and an Unsatisfied Temper, can point him out as a Member of so scandalous a Society. But how two such Brothers in Iniquity, who so directly Tally in every thing, but their Opinion about Foreigners should fall out, that's a Riddle to me. Every Body knows Tutchin was deservedly order'd to be whip'd, through the West Country Market-Towns, and that he was set at Liberty, and entertain'd by some People of no small note after the Revolution, and how that he like a *True Whig*, and Villain, afterwards abus'd his Benefactors, by writing a *Satyr in Praise of Folly and Knavery*, incomparably better then his *True-Born Englishman*, but I never could hear any Body say Tutchin was worse then T——d.

*In Bus'ness next some Friends of his employ'd him:*  
And there he prov'd that Fame had not bely'd  
*His Benefactors quickly be abus'd,* (him :  
*And falsely to the Government accus'd :*  
*But they, defended by their Innocence,*  
*Ruin'd the Traytor in their own Defence.*

This is also a Truth, which he has pick'd out of the *Reverse* which was an Answer to the *Foreigners*, and which, as I take it, intimates he had a Place given him at the Victualling-Office; but accusing the Commissioners before the Lords of the Admiralty, and not able to make out what he charg'd 'em with, he himself was divested of his

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own Post. By this the Author may perceive I am not so bad, and so abandon'd to Wickedness, as to be a Friend of *Tutchin's*; neither have I so little Judgment, as to have a good Opinion of the Person who rails at him.

*Thus kick'd about from Pillars unto Posts,  
He whets his Pen against the Lord of Hosts :  
Burlesques his God and King in Paltry Rhimes :  
Against the Dutch turns Champion for the Times ;  
And Huff's the King, upon that very score,  
On which be Panegyrick'd him before.*

It's natural for Men of both their Kidneys to change sides as occasion offers; and if Tutchin's design in writing the Foreigners, was only for the Good of his Nation, he was far enough from Huffing the King, who is an *English* Prince, since he Reigns over us, by taking part with the *English* who are the Subjects, that have stood by him with their Lives and Fortunes, and lost abundance of Treasure in his Defence, when the Dutch have been Gainers by the War.

*Unhappy England, hast thou none but such,  
To plead thy Scoundrel Cause against the Dutch?  
This moves their Scorn, and not their Indignation;*  
*(Nation.)*

He that Lampoons the *Dutch*, Burlesques the *French*.

If England's be a Scoundrel Cause, for God's sake what must that of Holland be? And if we move their scorn, it's our own Fault, since we have had it in our power to *Command* their *Fear*; and might have *Lampoon'd* the *Dutch*, without *Burlesquing* the *Nation*, had we been so wise as to have less dealings with 'em.

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*The meanest English Plough-man Studies Law,  
And keeps thereby the Magistrates in Awe :  
Will boldly tell them what they ought to do,  
And sometimes punish their Omissions too.*

Certainly, he has been in *Wales*, or *Yorkshire*, by the Character he gives the Plough-men; and the Gentlemen of the long Robe have no Reason to thank him for casting such a Reflection on the *Study of the Law*. For their Part, those are wise Magistrates indeed that are kept in awe by 'em; and for mine, I have never heard of any such, but one City-Justice, and he has a *Shoe-Maker* to read Law to him.

*Their Liberty and Property's so dear,  
They scorn their Laws or Governors to fear :  
So bugbear'd with the Name of Slavery,  
They can't submit to their own Liberty.  
Restraint from Ill is Freedom to the Wise ;  
But Englishmen do all Restraint despise.  
Slaves to the Liquor, Drudges to the Pots,  
The Mob are Statesmen, and their Statesmen Sots.*

If he blames us for our Liberty and Property being dear to us, he cannot be a Friend to the late Revolution, which he would be taken for a Champion of; and he would do well to explain his unintelligible Assertion of our not being able to submit to our own Liberty: The next two Lines are applicable to no Englishmen, but those of his own Persuasion; and the Contents of 'em put in practice by no sort of Persons, but those who are under a perpetual uneasiness, and have the Impudence to call our Statesmen Sots; which

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which reflects upon the Wisdom of him that made choice of 'em.

*Their Governours they count such dangerous things,  
That 'tis their custom to affront their Kings :  
So jealous of the Power their Kings possess'd,  
They suffer neither Power nor Kings to rest.  
The Bad with Force they eagerly subdue,  
The Good with constant Clamours they pursue : }  
And did King Jesus reign, they'd murmur too.  
A discontented Nation, and by far  
Harder to rule in Times of Peace than War :  
Easily set together by the Ears,  
And full of causeless Jealousies and Fears :  
Apt to revolt, and willing to rebel,  
And never are contented when they're well,  
No Government cou'd ever please them long,  
Cou'd tyetheir Hands, or rectify their Tongue.  
In this to Ancient Israel well compar'd,  
Eternal Murmurs are among them heard.*

He goes on with the known Qualities of his own Sect, and being seemingly ashamed of owning 'em himself, flings 'em on those who have no manner of relation to 'em. He acknowledges there are but too many of this Temper in this Kingdom, and that Rebellion, Dissatisfaction, and the other Crimes he falsely Charges us with, have a Multitude of Disciples ready to side with either of 'em. But let us seek for the Fountain which gives Being to this Sea of Wickedness, and which for other causes then the River Nile, hides its Head, and we shall soon find the source of those mischiefs, that are our perpetual Disturbers, is on that side which he is the ungrateful Defender of.

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It was but lately that they were oppress'd,  
Their Rights invaded, and their Laws suppress'd :  
When nicely tender of their Liberty,  
Lord ! What a Noise they made of Slavery.  
In daily Tumults show'd their Discontent ;  
Lampoon'd their King, and mock'd his Government,  
And if in Arms they did not first appear,  
T'was want of Force, and not for want of Fear,  
In humbler Tone than Englishmen d to do,  
At Foreign Hands for Foreign Aid they sue,

And where was the Harm to think our selves  
injur'd, if we really were ? And to complain of  
Grievances, if we had a just cause for it ? King  
James was led aside, and we did not make our  
Addresses to the Dutch, who treading in wrong  
Paths themselves could not set His Majesty in  
the right : but sent our Remonstrances over to  
the Princes and Prince of Orange, in order to  
let them know, whose principal Concern it was,  
that they had a Jealousie there was no fair Play  
going forward at the English Court. They ad-  
dressed them in no humbler Tone, than was fit-  
ting to be made use of to Princes of their High  
Birth ; and invited their Highnesses to England,  
not so much for want of Force, but because  
it was necessary that the Persons whose Con-  
cern it was to examine into the P— of  
Wales his Birth, should be at the Head of them  
to countenance what otherwise would have born  
the Face of a Rebellion.

William the Great Successor of Nassau,  
Their Prayers heard, and their Oppressions saw :  
He saw and sav'd them : God and Him they prais'd,  
To This their Thanks, to That their Trophies rais'd,

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But glutted with their own Felicities,  
They soon their New Deliverer despise ;  
Say all their Prayers back, their Joy disown,  
Unsing their Thanks; and pull their Tropbies down :  
Their Harps of Praise are on the Willows hung ;  
For Englishmen are ne'er contented long.

It is not our business to question what he says on His Majesty's part ; and he says nothing on the part of the People but what is true, since they gave their Deliverer no other Thanks than those he deserv'd. But it's the greatest of Falshoods to say we soon despis'd him ; when if any Sect of People were guilty of that piece of Ingratitude, those that call themselves Dissenters are the Persons, who are not satisfied of having a free Exercise of their Religion, according to the Dictates of their Conscience ; but will murmur on till theirs is the Establish'd Faith, and their Meetings have the same Royal Authority in their behalf, as the Kirk of Scotland ; which, I presume from His Majesty's great Knowledge of the Church-of-England Loyalty, will never come to pass.

The Rev'rend Clergy too ! and who'd ha' thought  
That they who had such Non-resistance taught,  
Should e'er to Arms against their Prince be brought ?  
Who up to Heav'n did Regal Pow'r advance ;  
Subjeeting English Laws to Modes of France.  
Twisting Religion so with Loyalty,  
As one cou'd never live, and t'other dye.  
And yet no sooner did their Prince design  
Their Glebes and Perquisites to undermine,  
But all their Passive-Doctrines laid aside ;  
The Clergy their own Principles deny'd :

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Unpreach'd their Non-Resisting Cant, and pray'd  
To Heav'n for Help, and to the Dutch for Aid.  
The Church cbim'd all her Doctrines back again,  
And Pulpit-Champions did the Cause maintain ;  
Flew in the face of all their former Zeal,  
And Non-Resistance did at once repeal.

Non-Resistance in Things that are lawful, was the Doctrine of our Church; and the greatest part of our Clergy preached up Passive Obedience only where their Prince did not violate the Rights of his Subjects. A great number of them, I am well assured, would have suffered the greatest Extremities for the sake of their Religion; though when the Church-Lands were called in question, and the Possessors of them were likely to be forced from them; then Judgment began at the House of God; and a certain Time-server, who is in his Party's Interest, and lives not a Mile from the Temple, cut asunder the Gordian Knot which he had before made indissoluble; which does not at all affect the Church-of-England Loyalty, since that fulsome Harange-maker is looked upon as one of its rotten Members.

The Rabbies say it would be too prolix,  
To tye Religion up to Politicks : 2  
The Church's Safety is *Suprema Lex*. 3  
And so by a new Figure of their own,  
Do all their former Doctrines disown.  
As Laws Post Facto in the Parliament,  
In urgent Cases having obtain'd Assent ;  
But are as dangerous Presidents laid by ;  
Made lawful only by Necessity.

The Safety of the Church is the Preservation of the Laws ; and as the infringement of the Privileges of the one, is a downright violation of the other, so unless the Authority of Religion be kept up ; and the Ministers of God's Holy Ordinances had in Reverence, the Statutes of the Kingdom will be but an ill-Fence to restrain the Violence of Licentious Men, who will break in upon the other Laws, after they have destroy'd that which is their Fundamental.

*The Rev'rend Fathers then in Arms appear,  
And Men of God became the Men of War.  
The Nation, fir'd by them, to Arms apply ;  
Assault their Antichristian Monarchy ;  
To their due Channel all our Laws restore,  
And made things what they shou'd ba' been been before.  
But when they came to Fill the Vacant Throne,  
And the Pale Priests look'd back on what they had done,  
How English Liberty began to thrive,  
And Church-of-England Loyalty out-live :  
How all their Persecuting Days were done,  
And their Detr'yer plac'd upon the Throne :  
The Priests, as Priests are wont to do, turn'd Tail ;  
They're Englishmen, and Nature will prevail.  
Now they deplore the Ruines they ba' made,  
And Murmur for the Master they Betray'd.  
Excuse those Crimes they cou'd not make him mend ;  
And suffer for the Cause they can't defend.  
Pretend they'd not ba' carry'd things so high ;  
And Proto-Martyrs make for Popery.*

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tle force, that his Lordship has nothing to fear from it. His Lordship was suspended by an Ecclesiastical High-Court which was unlawfully established, was under apprehensions of suffering every day worse and worse, and had every Misfortune to provide himself against, that either a Subject or a Christian ought to stand in fear of ; and therefore is very much to be excused, though I don't vindicate taking Arms against a Sovereign. But the Priests whom he joins the Epithet of *Pale* to (meaning the Non-Jurants) are falsely traduced ; they gave no more Assistance to the then Prince of *Orange*, than their Prayers for his Success, and their continued Vows to the Almighty to crown an Undertaking, for the sake of Religion, with an happy Issue. And notwithstanding they were Men of such tender Consciences, as not to be led by any hopes of Gain to take Oaths to a Prince, who was established in the Throne during the Life of the King they had sworn to, I am well persuaded they are so far from turning Martyrs for Popery, that no People whatsoever are more against that idolatrous Opinion than themselves.

*Had the Prince done as they design'd the thing,  
Ha' set the Clergy up to rule the King ;  
Taken a Donative for coming hither,  
And so ha' left their King and them together,  
We had, say they, been now a happy Nation.  
No doubt we had seen a Blessed Reformation:  
For Wise Men say 't's as dangerous a thing,  
A Ruling Priesthood, as a Priest-rid King.  
And of all Plagues with which Mankind are curst,  
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It was not only the *Priest's* thoughts, that His present Majesty would have settled Affairs on their Ancient Establishment, and been contented with the Glory of rescuing Three Nations from Popery and Slavery, but his Majesty's own Intentions, as may be seen in his Declaration, in the year 1688. was agreeable to their thoughts; till the Parliament was so importunate with him to accept the Three Crowns, that he could not have refused them, without leaving the People he had freed to the same dangers they were before exposed to.

*If all our former Grievances were feign'd,  
King James has been abus'd, and we trepann'd;  
Bugbear'd with Popery and Power Despotick,  
Tyrannick Government, and Leagues Exotick:  
The Revolution's a Phanatick Plot,  
W— a Tyrant, S— a Sot:  
A Factious Army and a Poyson'd Nation,  
Unjustly forc'd King James's Abdication.*

No true Protestant, I am perswaded, believes our Grievances were feign'd, but is heartily glad they are redress'd. However, though I have a greater Veneration for the Person and Merit of *W*— than to say he's a Ty--nt, I am ready to affirm one *S*— whom I know (perhaps not the Person he means) guilty of a greater Crime than Sottishnes, for betraying so kind a Master.

*But if he did the Subjects Rights invade,  
Then he was punish'd only, not betray'd:*

And

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And punishing of Kings is no such Crime,  
But *Englishmen* ha' done it many a time.

I must needs acknowledge I don't understand the Doctrine of punishing Kings; though the Murder of good King *Charles* has been such a Barbarous Instance of it, that if Divine Punishment has not, and does not continue to overtake the Authors of it, certainly there is no Vengeance in store for the vilest Offenders.

*When Kings the Sword of Justice first lay down,*  
*They are no Kings, though they possess the Crown.*  
*Titles are Shadows, Crowns are empty things,*  
*The Good of Subjects is the End of Kings;*  
*To guide in War, and to protect in Peace:*  
*Where Tyrants once commence, the King's do cease:*  
*For Arbitrary Power's so strange a thing,*  
*It makes the Tyrant, and unmakes the King.*  
*If Kings by Foreign Priests and Armies reign,*  
*And Lawless Power against their Oaths maintain,* }  
*Then Subjects must ha' reason to complain.*  
*If Oaths must bind us when our Kings do ill;*  
*To call in Foreign Aid is to rebel.*  
*By Force to circumscribe our Lawful Prince,*  
*Is wilful Treason in the largest sense:*  
*And they who once rebel, most certainly*  
*Their God, and King, and former Oaths defy.*  
*If we allow no Male-Administration*  
*Could cancel the Allegiance of the Nation;*  
*Let all our Learned Sons of Levi try,*  
*This Eccles'astick Riddle to unty:*  
*How they could make a Step to Call the Prince,*  
*And yet pretend to Oaths and Innocence.*

If

If I mistake not, the two first Lines in this Paragraph are not clear from Exceptions ; for according to the rules of common sense, whether a King reigns justly or unjustly, he is nevertheless a King, beyond all dispute, while he sits upon the Throne. But great Disputants are sometimes out in their Consequences ; therefore I shall skip over the rest of his Argument, as what is heard every day over Coffee and Tea, and examine into the last Verses, which seem to bear all the strength of Reason he is capable of mustring up. If we may call a Person to the Relief of a Kingdom, without any design of presenting him with the Throne of it, as certainly we may, there is no question but the People who called him, are innocent, and free from the breach of their Oath to their then Sovereign ; since to take up Arms is one thing, and to petition for Assistance to remove Priests, and Evil Counsellours, another.

*By th' first Address they made beyond the Seas,  
They're perjur'd in the most intense Degrees ;  
And without Scruple for the time to come,  
May swear to all the Kings in Christendom.  
And truly did our Kings consider all,  
They'd never let the Clergy swear at all :  
Their Politick Allegiance they'd refuse ;  
For Whores and Priests do never want excuse.*

Perjury is the Violation of an Oath, taken after a serious and premeditated manner ; but to break an Oath of Allegiance to one King, without swearing to another, makes it impossible that the *Non-juring* Clergy should fall under the Censure

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Censure of so notorious a piece of impiety. However, the whole Fraternity, Swearers or Non-swearers, are extraordinarily oblig'd to their good Friend, Mr. *Author*, who makes them as ready, if they are in the wrong, to prove themselves in the right ; and as good at furnishing themselves with Excuses, as a thorough-paced Whore before a Magistrate, or a venerable Hypocritical Bawd before one of the *Society for Reformation of Manners*. A great token of the respect he has for God's Ministers.

*But if the Mutual Contract was dissolv'd,  
The Doubt's explain'd, the Difficulty solv'd :  
That Kings when they descend to Tyranny,  
Dissolve the Bond, and leave the Subjects free.  
The Government's ungirt when Justice dies,  
And Constitutions are Non-Entities.*

It is impossible Justice should die, while the Fountain of it is living : The Channels through which it passes may be choak'd up for a time ; but as long as there is wherewithal to feed it at the Spring-head, the Current can never wholly be stop'd.

*The Nation's all a Mob, there's no such thing  
As Lords or Commons, Parliament or King.  
A great promiscuous Crowd the Hydra lies,  
Till Laws revive, and mutual Contract ties :  
A Chaos free to chuse for their own share,  
What Case of Government they please to wear : .  
If to a King they do the Reins commit,  
All Men are bound in Conscience to submit :  
But then that King must by his Oath assent  
To Postulata's of the Government ;*

*Which*

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*Which if be breaks, be cuts off the Entail,  
And Power retreats to its Original.*

The design of this Paragraph, is to shew, that the Kingly Power is the Gift of the Subjects, and that whenever a Prince fails in the Duty of his Office, the People may recal their Gift, and bestow the Crown on whom they please. This Doctrine might do very well in *Poland*, amongst the *Radziouiskies* and *Potoskies*, who are for an Elective Kingdom; but never will suit with a Nation, whose Kingdom has been Hereditary upwards of six hundred years, and always went to the next Heir of course, notwithstanding the defects of the King, for the time being, might occasion his Dethronement.

*This Doctrine has the Sanction of Assent,  
From Nature's Universal Parliament.  
The Voice of Nations, and the Course of Things,  
Allow that Laws superior are to Kings.  
None but Delinquents would have Justice cease,  
Knaves rail at Laws, as Soldiers rail at Peace:  
For Justice is the End of Government,  
As Reason is the Test of Argument.*

If Laws are superior to Kings, the *Creature* may pretend a Sovereignty over the *Creator*, since they are the product of their Royal Assent, and never capable of being put in Force without their approbation: The Potsherd may as well say to the Potter, Wherefore hast thou made me? as the Law put a Question to the King, and ask him, Why hast thou done thus?

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*No Man was ever yet so void of Sense,  
As to debate the Right of Self-Defence ;  
A Principle so grafted in the Mind,  
With Nature born, and does like Nature bind :  
Twisted with Reason, and with Nature too ;  
As neither one nor t'other can undo.*

*Self-Defence is acknowledg'd by Universal Consent for the Voice of Nature, and enjoin'd by her Laws to be put in Practice ; that is, upon any sudden Attack of an Enemy, or any causeless Provocation that may be given us, to take care of our selves. But the Divine Law which is superior to it, and commands us *not to lift up our Hand against the Lord's Anointed* ; prohibits us to call Rebellion *Self-Defence* ; and ev'n Humane Ordinances allow Kings to be the Head of their People, and not liable to the Censure of those that are inferiour to 'em.*

*Nor can this Right be less when National ;  
Reason which governs one, should govern all.  
Whate're the Dialect of Courts may tell,  
He that his Right demands, can ne'er rebel.  
Which Right, if tis by Governors deny'd,  
May be procur'd by Force, or Foreign Aid.  
For Tyranny's a Nation's Term for Gritf ;  
As Folks cry Fire, to hasten in Relief.  
And when the hated word is heard about,  
All Men shou'd come to help the People out.*

*That would be pretty indeed, and we should have a hopeful Nation of it, should the same Reason, or rather want of it, which governs him, govern all. Every one would say such a Post of Honour*

Honour was his Right ; and if the King should deny him the Grant of it, Rebellion would be the next Word ; and every Fool would cry Fire, on purpose to make his Neighbour as wise as himself.

*So Serjeants when a Pris'ner they've beset  
Cry out stop Thief, when all the Theft is Debt*

*Thus England groan'd, Britannia's Voice was  
And Great Nassau to rescue her, appear'd : (beard ;  
Call'd by the Universal Voice of Fate ;  
God and the Peoples Legal Magistrate.*

*Ye Heav'ns regard ! Almighty Jove look down,  
And view thy Injur'd Monarch on the Throne.  
On their Ungrateful Heads due Vengeance take,  
Who sought his Aid, and then his part for sake.  
Witness, ye Powers ! It was Our Call alone,  
Which now our Fride makes us ashame'd to own.  
Britannia's Troubles fetch'd him from afar,  
To court the dreadful Casualties of War :  
But where Requital never can be made,  
Acknowledgment's a Tribute seldom paid.*

That is as much as to say, after his own way of expressing himself, *England cry'd Fire*, and a Neighbour came in an instant, and quench'd it, and receiv'd the House, and all the Furniture for his Pains. Not that I would detract from the Debt of Gratitude, which will be ever due to His Majesty; but I Question not but His Majesty holds himself contented with the large Acknowledgments of both Houses of Parliament. Since 700000 *per Annum* more than the Crown Revenue, is a Gift never given to any Prince before, though this Impudent Author in defiance of the

*Donors,*

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Donors, calls down for Vengeance on their ungrateful Heads.

*He dwelt in Bright Maria's Circling Arms,  
Defended by the Magick of her Charms,  
From Foreign Fears, and from Domestick Harms: }  
Ambition found no Fuel for her Fire,  
He had what God cou'd give, or Man desire.  
Till Pity rowz'd him from his soft Repose,  
His Life to unseen Hazards to expose :  
Till Pity mov'd him in our Cause t' appear ;  
Pity ! That Word which now we hate to hear.  
But English Gratitude is always such,  
To hate the Hand which does oblige too much.*

No Body doubts but the late Queen of Blessed Memory, was an inestimable Present to His Majesty ; but to say, he *had all that God could give* in the Possession of Her, was to set Bounds to the Power of the Deity, and say unto the Almighty, Hither couldst thou go, and no farther. A thought too big for him that made use of it, and too little for that Infinite Being to whom it was adapted.

*Britannia's Cries gave Birth to his Intent,  
And hardly gain'd his unforeseen Assent :  
His boding Thoughts foretold him he should find  
The People Fickle, Selfish, and Unkind.  
Which Thought did to his Royal Heart appear  
More dreadful than the Dangers of the War :  
For nothing grates a Generous Mind so soon,  
As base Returns for hearty Service done.*

I don't believe His present Majesty's Assent was so *unforeseen* as our Author would have it ;

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neither can it enter into my Breast, that his Majesty's thoughts foretold to him, that we are a *fickle, selfish, and unkind* sort of People. Since his Majesty would not have thought it worth his while to accept of the Government of a Kingdom, he foresaw he should be uneasie in; or yield to the repeated desires of such Petitioners, as would be unthankful for the Grant of their Request.

Satyr, be silent, awfully prepare  
Britannia's Song, and William's Praise to bear.  
Stand by, and let her chearfully rehearse  
Her Grateful Vows in her Immortal Verse.  
Loud Fame's Eternal Trumpet let her sound;  
Listen ye distant Poles, and endless Round.  
May the strong Blast the welcome News convey  
As far as Sound can reach, or Spirit fly.  
To Neighb'ring Worlds, if such there be, relate  
Our Hero's Fame, for theirs to imitate.  
To distant Worlds of Spirits let her rehearse:  
For Spirits without the helps of Voice converse.  
May Angels bear the gladsome News on high,  
Mixt with their everlasting Symphony.  
And Hell it self stand in suspence to know  
Whether it be the Fatal Blast, or no.

That Injunction's well enough! And the Whore, his Satyrical Muse, has exhausted her Magazine of Venome so much, that 'tis time her Drabble-tail-ship should have a Holiday for silence. But the Panygerical Lady is the Devil and ali for her part, shē cannot Quaver a Note, unless both the Poles give their Attention, and loud Fame lends her a Trumpet to sound her bombast unmusical Notes in. As for the Subject's part,  
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it deserves a better hand to undertake it: And as for the Undertaker, one would think that a worse part might be more fit for him. However, let us hear what Words he puts in *Britannia's Mouth*; tho' *Hell's* acquainted with his way of Sounding too well to take it for the last *Fatal Blast*.

### B R I T A N N I A.

*The Fame of Virtue 'tis for which I sound,  
And Heroes with Immortal Triumphs crown'd.  
Fame built on solid Virtue swifter flies,  
Than Morning Light can spread my Eastern Skies.  
The gath'ring Air returns the doubling Sound,  
And loud repeating Thunders force it round:  
Ecchoes return from Caverns of the Deep:  
Old Chaos dreams on't in Eternal Sleep.  
Time bands it forward to its latest Urn,  
From whence it never, never shall return,  
Nothing is heard so far, or lasts so long;  
'Tis heard by ev'ry Ear, and spoke by ev'ry Tongue.*

The Trumpeter's out of Tune at the first Note; that is, he has no manner of Musick in the first Line, which is discouragement enough to give any farther attention. But since the *Winds*, and the *Poles*, and the *Endless Round*, wait his Motions, it will be presumptious in us not to do the same. So — now 'tis a comical sort of a sound indeed — the Devil-a-bit of any Eccho comes from it, which is the Beauty of Musick; it has taken a flight into Old Time's long Ears, which though they are hollow enough to return any manner of Voice; yet the Miser is of so greedy a Temper, as to keep it all to himself.

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*My Hero, with the Sails of Honour furld,  
Rises like the Great Genius of the World.  
By Fate and Fame wisely prepar'd to be  
The Soul of War, and Life of Victory.  
He spreads the Wings of Vertue on the Throne,  
And ev'ry Wind of Glory fans them on.  
Immortal Trophies dwell upon his Brow,  
Fresh as the Garlands he has worn but now.*

Sweet ! *The Sails of Honour furld, shew a vast  
reach of Thought, and an exuberancy of unia-  
telligible Fancy !* For I know the meaning of it  
no more than him that wrote it. But they are  
Words, and that's enough ; for it's uncivil to ex-  
pect more, when he is made up of nothing else.  
*Fans them on, too, is a very elegant Expression ;*  
though he does our Great and Good King very  
little Service by the Wind he raises for him.

*By different Steps the high Ascent he gains,  
And differently that high Ascent maintains.  
Princes for Pride and Lust of Rule make War,  
And struggle for the Name of Conqueror.  
Some fight for Fame, and some for Victory.  
He Fights to Save, and Conquers to set Free.*

All this is to be confessed, and that's a Mad-  
man who will not own it, though I believe His  
Majesty has those Heroick Vertues in him, as  
to love the Name of a Conqueror, at the same  
time that he sets us Free, since none but a Con-  
queror can deserve that Glorious Appellation.

*Then seek no Phrase his Titles to conceal,  
And hide with Words what Actions must reveal.*

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*No Parallel from Hebrew Stories take,  
Of God-like Kings my Similies to make :  
No borrow'd Names conceal my living Theam ;  
But Names and Things directly I proclaim.  
'Tis honest Merit does his Glory raise ;  
Whom that exalts, let no Man fear to praise.  
Of such a Subject no Man need be shy ;  
Virtue's above the Reach of Flattery.  
He needs no Character but his own Fame,  
Nor any flattering Titles, but his Name.*

If Phrases conceal His Majesty's Titles, it may be taken for granted our Poetical Man of Prose, or rather our Prosaical Man of Poetry, has published all he knew of Him, since I'll swear for him he has made use of no Idioms of the Tongue, to say, he'll directly proclaim Names and Things of Him, when he takes care to speak very little of either, is as much as to say, *Your Majesty's gracious Favours will be an Encouragement for me to speak more.*

William's the Name that's spoke by ev'ry Tongue ;  
William's the Darling Subject of my Song.  
Listen ye Virgins to the Charming Sound,  
And in Eternal Dances hand it round :  
Your early Offerings to this Altar bring ;  
Make him at once a Lover and a King.  
May he submit to none but to your Arms ;  
Nor ever be subdued, but by your Charms.  
May your soft Thoughts for him be all sublime ;  
And ev'ry tender Vow be made for him.  
May he be first in ev'ry Morning-thought,  
And Heav'n ne'er hear a Pray'r where he's left out.  
May ev'ry Omen, ev'ry boding Dream,  
Be Fortunate by mentioning his Name.  
May this one Charm Infernal Powers affright,  
And guard you from the Terrors of the Night.

May

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*May ev'ry chearful Glass as it goes down  
To William's Health, be Cordials to your own.  
Let ev'ry Song be Chorust with his Name.  
And Musick pay her Tribute to his Fame.  
Let ev'ry Poet tune his Artful Verse,  
And in Immortal Strains his Deeds rehearse.  
And may Apollo never more inspire  
The Disobedient Bard with his Seraphick Fire.  
May all my Sons their grateful Homage pay;  
His Praises sing, and for his Safety pray.*

The Reader will infallibly conclude with me, that *William* is a Name too good for his hoarse Instrument, that sounds more like a *Lancashire* Horn-Pipe than a Trumpet; and that the *Virgins* may *listen to Eternity*, and not hear such a thing come from him as a *Charming Sound*. But I am amaz'd to see him turn *Pimp*, while he is lab'ring at the painful Vocation of a *Panegyrist*, and seek out for *Maidenheads* for His Majesty, after having offer'd up his Wishes that he may be a *Lover* as well as a King. How *soft Thoughts* can be *sublime* without altering the property, I confess I am to seek: And the next is the uncharitablest Wish imaginable, *viz.* that *Heav'n* should ne'er bear a *Prayer* where his *Name* is left out; since we ought to pray for our Enemies: And some disaffected People who don't own His present Majesty for their King, without doubt pray for *Another*. But this is the most diverting Passage of All, after he has blamed the Men for taking a Cup so freely, he encourages the *Ladies* to take a *chearful Glas*, and drink about as a sort of a Cordial for them.

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*Satyr return to our Unthankful Isle,  
Secur'd by Heav'n's Regard, and William's Toil.  
To both Ungrateful, and to both Untrue ;  
Rebels to God, and to Good Nature too.*

Saytyr may return, if it pleases ; but no body will take notice of its scandalous Appearance. How we have been either ungrateful or untrue to our King and Country, may be seen by the large Summs we have advanced for the Service of both.

*If e'er this Nation be distract'd again,  
To whomsoe'er they cry, they'll cry in vain.  
To Heav'n they cannot have the Face to look ;  
Or if they should, it would but Heaven provoke.  
To hope for Help from Man would be too much ;  
Mankind would always tell 'em of the Dutch :  
How they came here our Freedoms to maintain,  
Were Paid, and Curs'd, and Hurry'd home again.  
How, by their Aid, we first dissolv'd our Fears,  
And then our Helpers dar n'd for Foreigners.  
'Tis not our English Temper to do better ;  
For Englishmen think ev'ry Man their Debtor.*

That is more than he knows. Six hundred thousand pounds is a great deal of Money ; and there are People in the World would jump at it once more, should we have occasion for their Assistance. And the best Instance that can be thought on to prevail with any of our Neighbours, will be, that we paid the Dutch before we sent them home again. As for Abuses upon us for damning them for Foreigners, 'twas done by Vote of Parliament, and had the King's own Royal Assent to it ; and if he has any thing to remon-

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remonstrate against it, the *Sixth of February* is near at Hand, when he may see what thanks our Senators will give him, for finding fault with their wise Consultation.

*'Tis worth observing, that we ne're complain'd  
Of Foreigners, nor of the Wealth they gain'd,  
Till all their Services were at an End.* 3  
*Wise men affirm it is the English way,  
Never to Grumble till they come to Pay ;  
And then they always think their Temper's such,  
The Work too little, and the Pay too much.*

That Observation is a very wrong one, to my Knowledge, for the *Dutch* were found fault with some Years before the Peace. Though we stood in need of Troops for our *Quota* toward the War, and 'twas more adviseable to pay Foreigners which were *Veterane* Troops, than raise new ones of raw and unexperienc'd Natives.

*As frighted Patients, when they want a Cure,  
Bid any Price, and any Pain endure :  
But when the Doctor's Remedies appear,  
The Cure's too Easy, and the Price too Dear.*

We never thought that we paid the *Dutch* too much, though they were of such an unsatisfied Temper, as to think it too little; so that his Simile is very little to the purpose, that relates to the *Doctor* and his *Patients*.

*Great Portland ne'er was banter'd, when he strove  
For Us his Master's kindest Thoughts to move.  
We ne'er Lampoon'd his Conduct, when employ'd  
King James's Secret Councils to divide :*

*Then*

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Then we caress'd him as the only Man,  
Which could the Doubtful Oracle explain :  
The only Hushia able to repel.  
The Dark Designs of our Achitophel.  
Compar'd his Master's Courage to his Sense ;  
The Ablest Statesman, and the Bravest Prince,  
On his Wise Conduct we depended much,  
And lik'd him ne'er the worse for being Dutchi  
Nor was he valued more than be deser'd ;  
Freely he ventur'd, faithfully he serv'd.  
In all King William's Dangers he has shard ;  
In England's Quarrels always he appear'd :  
The Revolution first, and then the Boyne ;  
In Both his Counsels and his Conduct shine.  
His Martial Valour Flanders will confess ;  
And France Regrets his Managing the Peace.  
Faithful to England's Interest and her King :  
The greatest Reason of our Murmuring.  
Ten Years in English Service he appear'd,  
And gain'd his Master's and the World's Regard : }  
But 'tis not England's Custom to Reward.  
The Wars are over, England needs him not ;  
Now he's a Dutchman, and the Lord knows what.

Great Portland at the time of the Revolution,  
was plain *Myn Heer B—nck*, and Possess'd no  
Place which *Englishmen* were wont to be Masters  
of ; so that he gave no occasion of murmuring  
to a People, who stand mightily upon their Birth-  
Right. And no Body questions but he perform'd  
his Embassy in *France*, with an Extraordinary  
Conduct, but we never caress'd him as the *only*  
*Man* fit for so great an Employment ; being well  
satisfy'd that his Lordship, notwithstanding his  
great Abilities, has those who are Natives of this  
Kingdom, that can equal him. But I shall ne-

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ver be of the Opinion, that *France regrets his managing the Peace*, till what pass'd between his Lordship, and the Duke *de Boufflers*, be made publick, which perhaps may lead me into a lower esteem of the *French Politicks*. And *England* (though 'tis not her *Custom to reward*) has recompen'd that *Noble Peer's Services*, by giving his Royal Master such an addition to the Crown-Revenne, as to enable him to make his Lordship what returns His Majesty shall think fitting.

Schonbergh, the Ablest Soldier of his Age,  
With Great Nassau did in our Cause engage :  
Both join'd for England's Rescue and Defence ;  
The Greatest Captain, and the Greatest Prince.  
With what Applause his Stories did we tell ?  
Stories which Europe's Volumes largely swell,  
We counted him an Army in our Aid :  
Where he commanded, no Man was afraid.  
His Actions with a constant Conquest shine,  
From Villa-Vitiosa to the Rhine.  
France, Flanders, Germany, his Fame confess ;  
And all the World was fond of him, but Us.  
Our Turn first serv'd, we grudg'd him the Command.  
Witness the Grateful Temper of the Land.

If he means the old Mareschal *de Schonberg*, (as certainly he must by what he relates of him) he's very much in the dark as to his Knowledge ; for that General was never ill spoken of by the People of *England* ; but deservedly counted next His Majesty, their support in time of War. Or if he would have us understand him, as to the Present Duke his Son, and *Generalissimo* of the Forces in *England*, whose Post has cheifly been since the Reduction of *Ireland*, here in *England* ; and

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and who has been so far from extending his Conquests from *Villa-Vitiosa* to the *Rhine*, though without question he has Courage and Conduct enough to do it, if Opportunity should offer, notwithstanding I never heard his Grace had Orders to attempt any thing, but the taking *Furnes*, and *Dixmude*. Some malicious People perhaps have spoken disrespectfully of him; but it's so far from being a national affront put upon him, that it's nothing else but the Resentments of some Soldiers under his Command.

We blame the *K* — that he relies too much  
On Strangers, Germans, Hugonots, and Dutch ;  
And seldom does his great Affairs of State,  
To English Counsellors Communicate.  
The Fact might very well be answer'd thus ;  
He has so often been betray'd by us,  
He must have been a Madman to rely  
On English *G* — ns Fidelity.  
For laying other Arguments aside,  
This Thought might mortify our English Pride,  
That Foreigners have faithfully obey'd him  
And none but Englishmen have e'er betray him.  
They have our Ships and Merchants bought and sold,  
And barter'd English Blood for Foreign Gold.  
First to the French they sold our Turkey-Fleet,  
And Injur'd Talmash next at Camaret.  
The King himself is shelter'd from their Snares,  
Not by his Merit, but the Crown he wears.  
Experience tell us 'tis the English way,  
Their Benefactors alway to betray.

Without doubt His Majesty would find himself more assur'd of the Hearts, and Purses of his English Subjects, (if it could be possible)

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none but They were admitted into His Majesty's Council, in relation to *English* Affairs. For certainly, a reliance on their Fidelity, who have run all Hazards, and ventur'd their Lives and Fortunes, and every thing that was dear to them for his Service, would not be improper at a juncture of Time when the Hearts and Parses of those Subjects may be very necessary. I know of no *English-man* in a Place of Trust that has betray'd Him; but in His Majesty's younger Days in *Holland*, there were *De Wits* who would, had not Providence hind'red their Designs. And as for the Loss of the *Turkey-Fleet*, and the brave General *Talmash*, few Men of Understanding but know both those unhappy Miscarriages lie at a Country's door, who have no great Aversion to Herrings and Butter.

*And lest Examples should be too remote,  
A Modern Magistrate of Famous Note,  
Shall give you his own History by Rote.*

*I'll make it out, deny it he that can,  
His Wor'ship is a True-born Englishman,  
In all the Latitude that Empty Word  
By Modern Acceptation's understood.*

*The Parish-Books his Great Descent record,  
And now he hopes e're long to be a Lord.*

*And truly as things go, it wou'd be pity  
But such as he bore Office in the City :*

*While Robb'ry for Burnt-Offering he brings,  
And gives to God what he has stole from Kings :  
Great Monuments of Charity he raises,  
And good St. Magnus whistles out his Praises.  
To City-Gaols he grants a Jubilee,  
And hires *Huzza's* from his own Mobile.*

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*Lately he wore the Golden Chain and Gown,  
With which equipt he thus harangu'd the Town.*

If our Author was capable of blushing, he might exert that Faculty now, when he is going to abuse a Gentleman, whose Name is as Ancient as that of most Families, and who has advanc'd his Reputation and his Wealth to such a degree, that never *London-Magistrate* acquir'd such deserved Esteem, during the Execution of his Office, and never one went out of it with more good Wishes, and *Money*, after he had bestow'd so much in Charitable Uses. But as these Calumnies were written on purpose to lessen the Number of those who had espous'd his Party, against the ensuing Election for Members of Parliament for the City, and the Author of it was in Fee with that scandalous, hypocritical Sect, that gave Bills out against him: So Sir *Charles Duncomb* has the less to be concern'd at, from the known Partiality and Inveteracy of those that are his Enemies; and may stand secur'd of those Rewards for his Good Works, which no Hiring-Scribler can detract from; and which shall deduce his Name to Posterity, when such a Fellow as the Author represents himself to be, shall not be known so much as to have been born.

Sir C----s D----b's Fine Speech, &c.

**W**ith Clouted Iron Shooes and Sheepskin Breeches,  
More Rags than Manners, and more Dirt  
(than Riches :

From driving Cows and Calves to Layton-Market,  
While of my Greatness there appear'd no Spark yet,  
Behold I come, to let you see the Pride  
With which Exalted Beggars always ride.

'Tis well known to all People, who have any knowledge of the Gentleman he insolently spits his Venom at, that his Father had not where-withal to educate him, as his sprightly Genius deserv'd; yet he was so far from making him a *Cow-Driver*, which sort of People are seldom taught to write and read, that he had all the Education necessary for one who being born to no great Matters of Possession, was one day to launch out into the World to make his Fortune.

Born to the Needful Labours of the Plough,  
The Cart-Whip grace't me as the Chain does now.  
Nature and Fate in doubt what course to take,  
Whether I shou'd a Lord or Plough-Boy make ;  
Kindly at last resolv'd they wou'd promote me,  
And first a Knave, and then a Knight they vote me.  
What Fate appointed, Nature did prepare,  
And furnish'd me with an exceeding Care.  
To fit me for what they design'd to have me ;  
And ev'ry Gift but Honesty they gave me.

Lyars, they say, ought to have good Memo-  
ries, and the Poet should have bethought himself  
of his making Sir *Charles* a Cow-driver in the  
preceding Paragraph, before he made him a *Car-  
ter* in this ; else he must never expect the Cha-  
racter of a Man of *exceeding Care*, which he has  
given a Person that deserves it without an *Irony*.

If he had not been Equip'd otherwise than our Author would have him, and been furnished with Honesty which all Persons, who have had any dealing him are ready to testify, yet even then he had exceeded him that makes his Speech for him, and all his fancied Acquirements. And if to come up to Town in order to advance his Fortunes, may fall under the diminutive way of Business, that Men follow who are in *Quest of Bread* then, every Clergyman, Physician, and Person of other Creditable Callings may fall under the same imputation.

B---well, the Generous Temper of whose Mind,  
Was always to be bountiful inclin'd :  
Whether by his Ill Fate or Fancy led,  
First took me up, and furnish'd me with Bread.

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*The little Services he put me to,  
Seem'd Labours rather than were truly so.  
But always my Advancement he design'd ;  
For twas his very Nature to be kind.  
Large was his Soul, his Temper ever Free ;  
The best of Masters and of Men to me.  
And I who was before decreed by Fate,  
To be made Infamous as well as Great,  
With an obsequious Diligence obey'd him,  
Till trusted with his All, and then betray'd him.*

Sir *Charles D——mb* has often made appear, that he was never ungrateful for the Kindnesses he receiv'd of Alderman *Backwell*, and is ready to own him now in the midst of his Prosperity, for the first, and almost sole occasion of his rising in the World. And if the Alderman was His Master (as possibly he might, though not in the low Station the Poetafter fixes him in) it's a sign he was an Excellent and Faithful Servant, or a Man of that Famous Banker's Penetrancy of Judgment, and cautious way of Proceeding, would never have trusted him with his All.

*All his past Kindesses I trampled on,  
Ruin'd his Fortunes to erect my own.  
So Vipers in the Bosom bred, begin  
To hiss at that Hand first which took them in.  
With eager Treach'ry I his Fall pursu'd,  
And my first Trophies were Ingratitude.*

If he had ruin'd his Fortunes, the Son of that Honest and unhappy Bankrupt would have shewn his Resentments for it. But Mr. *B——ll* who is now living, is satisfy'd of other things, and none at this time has a greater respect for Sir *Charles D——mb*, and visits him oftner in the Country upon all Occasions. *In-*

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Ingratitude's the worst of Human Guilt;  
The basest Action Mankind can commit;  
Which like the Sin against the Holy Ghost,  
Has least of Honour, and of Guilt the most.  
Distinguish'd from all other Crimes but this,  
That 'tis a Crime which no Man would confess.  
That Sin alone, which shou'd not be forgiv'n  
On Earth, altho' perhaps it may in Heav'n.

We have nothing to urge in defence of the Sin of Ingratitude, or to speak in behalf of any Person who is guilty of it; but when it is apply'd to a Gentleman who has it not in his Temper to Reward Good with Evil, we should be guilty of the Sin our selves, should we not stand up in his Vindication. The Sin against the Holy Ghost is *unpardonable*, and is the highest Offence any Human Being can commit; but he makes a Comparison between it and Ingratitude which is Venial with God and Man, which shews he does not rightly understand the Nature of the Crime he writes about.

Thus my first Benefactor I o'rethrew;  
And how shou'd I be to a second true?  
The Publick Trust came next into my Care,  
And I to use them scurvily prepare:  
My Needy Sov'reign Lord I play'd upon,  
And Lent him many a Thousand of his own;  
For which, great Int'rest I took care to Charge,  
And so my Ill-got Wealth became so large.

That is as much as to say he Broke the Alderman's Back by not holding it; when 'tis apparently true King Charles the 2d's shutting up the Exchequer

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was the Cause of it ; and he had never been forc'd out of his Native Country by his Creditors, had not his Faithful Services been overbalanc'd by the Treachery of some Persons who manag'd his then Sovereign's Treasury. I believe the Author is no great Conjurer of a Grammarian by making the word *Them* which is of the *Plural* Number, agree with *Publick Trust*, which is certainly the *Singular* ; but to take notice of his Faults and Incoherences that way, would Employ us too much ; and 'tis so well known that when Sir *Charles* farm'd one of the Crown Revenues, no Person that ever manag'd a Place of Trust, behav'd himself more to the Satisfaction of his King and Country than himself.

*My Predecessor Judas was a Fool,  
Fitter to ha' been whipt and sent to School,  
Than Sell a Saviour : had I been at hand,  
His Master had not been so Cheap Trepann'd ;  
I wou'd ha' made the eager Jews ha' found,  
For Thirty Pieces, Thirty thousand Pound.*

This is a High Rant indeed ! The Poet might have as well Compar'd himself to one of the most *Faithful* among the Apostles, as the Gentleman whose good Name he takes such Liberty with, to the most *Faithless*.

*My Cousin Ziba, of Immortal Fame,  
(Ziba and I shall never want a Name : )  
First-born of Treason, nobly did advance  
His Master's Fall for his Inheritance.  
By whose keen Arts old David first began  
To break his Sacred Oath to Jonathan :*

*The*

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*The Good Old King, 'tis thought, was very loath  
To break his Word, and therefore broke his Oath.  
Ziba's a Traytor of some Quality,  
Yet Ziba might have been inform'd by me :  
Had I been there, he ne're had been content  
With half th' Estate, nor half the Government.*

The Person whom he rail's at under the Name of *Ziba*, has so signaliz'd himself in his Services to the *English Government*, that his envious Reflections on him, return upon himself ; and without doubt if the *King* was loath to break his *Word*, he would have had some scruple at breaking his *Oath*, since *Perjury* is a *Crime* infinitely greater, than the *Breach* of a *Promise*.

*In our late Revolution 'twas thought strange,  
That I of all mankind shou'd like the Change :  
But they who wonder'd at it, never knew,  
That in it I did my Old Game pursue :  
Nor had they heard of Twenty thousand Pound,  
Which ne're was lost, yet never cou'd be found*

The Report this Paragraph is grounded upon, is as false as *Hell*, and *Sir Charles* was so far from getting such a large Sum by the *Revolution*, that it's well known to some Persons who are more Acquainted with him than the Author, he lost considerably by several belonging to the *Court of St. Germains*. Yet he Valued the Interest of the Country he was born in, more than his own, and Rejoyced at his present *Majesty's* Accession to the *Throne*, purely out of a Principle of Love to the *Kingdom*, not because he had out-witted the *King*.

Thus all things in their turn to Sale I bring,  
 God and my Master first and then the King  
 Till by successful Villanies made bold,  
 I thought to turn the Nation into Gold ;  
 And so to Forg-y my Hand I bent,  
 Not doubting I could gull the Government ;  
 But there was ruff'd by the Parliament.  
 And if I scap'd th' Unhappy Tree to climb,  
 'Twas want of Law, and not for want of Crime.

The very Vote of the *House of Commons*,  
 which has been Printed by his Enemies to hinder  
 his Election in the City speaks otherwise ;  
 and tho' there were not a few who gap'd more  
 after his large Possessions than the good of their  
 Fellow Subjects, the Wisdom of the Parliament  
 thought fit to drop the Pursuit of the Matter,  
 notwithstanding an Enemy of his who was a-  
 gainst Reassumptions, and is now above being  
 a Member of the House, push'd on the Matter  
 in Dispute as far as possible. And if such a Crime  
 as Forgery could have been prov'd against him,  
 there was Law enough at that time in Force  
 against him, and they would scarce have put  
 Themselves to the trouble of Voting for a new  
 Act of Parliament for him.

But my\* Old Friend, who printed in my Face  
 A needful Competence of English Brass, \* The Devil.  
 Having more business yet for me to do,  
 And loth to lose his Trusty Servant so,  
 Manag'd the matter with such Art and Skill,  
 As sav'd his Hero, and threw out the B--l.

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If the Devil stood Sir Charles's Friend, and hinder'd the Bill from passing; the Parliament of Consequence must have been influenc'd by him. Which is a very disrespectful Reflection on so venerable an Assembly.

*And now I'm grac'd with unexpected Honours,  
For which I'll certainly abuse the Donors:  
Knighted and made a Tribune of the People,  
Whose Laws and Properties I'm like to keep well;  
The Custos Rotulorum of the City,  
And Captain of the Guards of their Banditti.  
Surrounded by my Catchpoles, I declare  
Against the Needy Debtor open War.  
I hang poor Thieves for stealing of your Pelf,  
And suffer none to rob you but my self.*

Sir Charles no more made an Interest to be dubb'd a Knight, than he did to be made a Sheriff; but since it was His Majesty's and the Cities Pleasure, that he should have those unexpected Honours conferr'd on him, he was ready to do what lay in his Power for the Service of both. Tho' he was so far from declaring War against Needy Debtors, that he made even their Enemies to be at Peace with 'em, and reconcil'd their Creditors to 'em, by assisting those that were Insolvent.

*The King commanded me to help Reform ye,  
And how I'll do't Miss---- shall inform ye.  
I keep the best Seraglio in the Nation,  
And hope in time to bring it into Fashion.  
No Brimstone-Whore need fear the Lash from me,  
That part I'll leave to Brother Jeffery.  
Our Gallants need not go abroad to Rome,  
I'll keep a Whoring Jubilee at home.  
Whoring's the Darling of my Inclination;  
A'n't I a Magistrate for Reformation? For*

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For this my Praise is sung by ev'ry Bard,  
For which Bridewell wou'd be a just Reward.  
In Print my Panegyricks fill the Street,  
And bir'd Goal-birds their Huzza's repeat.  
Some Charities contriv'd to make a show,  
Have taught the Needy Rabble to do so :  
Whose empty Noise is a Mechanick Fame,  
Since for Sir Belzebub they'd do the same.

Our Author who has it not in his Nature to be tender of any ones Reputation, would have giv'n us the Name of the Lady as he has done that of the Knight, were there any thing of Truth in what he Affirms. But he knows so little of the Matter, that he cannot so much as give us the first Letter of her Name, an infallible Argument of his insufficiency in Matters of Proof. If *Bridewell* be the Reward of those that Cry up the Great Actions of *Worthy* Persons, *Newgate* certainly should be the place of Residence for those that publish their Praises on the *Unworthy*. And tho' I scarce believe any of the first will be sent to beat Hemp, yet if common Discourse be not false, one of the last is likely to be sent to the *Chequer Inn* in *Newgate street*, if Captain *Darby* in St. *Martins-Lane* be taken up by a Messenger, as it's reported.

### The Conclusion.

**T**hen let us boast of Ancestors no more,  
Or Deeds of Heroes done in days of Yore,  
In latent Records of the Ages past,  
Behind the Rear of Time, in long Oblivion plac'd.  
For if our Virtues must in Lines descend,  
The Merit with the Families would end :  
And Intermixtures would most Fatal grow ;  
For Vice would be Hereditary too ; The

## Answer'd Paragraph by Paragraph. 87

*The Tainted Blood wou'd of necessity,  
Involuntary Wickedness convey.*

The Conclusion bears very little proportion to the Premises, for the Close of the Poem is fill'd with a Libel against Sir *Charles Duncomb* only, who is so far from boasting of his *Ancestors*, that he is very ready to acknowledge he did not come into the World with that Advantage as some do. If he did actually value himself on the Account of his Descent; what Relation does that bear to the Nation in General? Or what Plea has the Author to Justifie himself with, for Taxing above two Millions of People with a Folly which he only charg'd one in particular with.

*Vice like Ill Nature, for an Age or two,  
May seem a Generation to pursue ;  
But Virtue seldom does regard the Breed ;  
Fools do the Wise, and Wise Men Fools succeed.*

*Ill Nature* is certainly a Vice, therefore the Consequence of his Simile is, that Vice is like Vice, which every one knew before. And if *Virtue* does not regard the Breed, I am inclinable to think he deserves no manner of Excuse, for making *Vice* an Attendant of it, and tainting the whole *English* Posterity with the Baseness of their Fore-Fathers: Since a Love of Virtue without doubt has as much prevalence, and run's in the Blood, as an Inclination towards Actions that are Vicious.—

*What is't to us, what Ancestors we had ?  
If Good, what better ? Or what worse, if Bad ?  
Examples are for Imitation set,  
Yet all Men follow Virtue with Regret.*      *That*

That question is resolv'd without any Difficulty, for if our Ancestors were good, than the remembrance of their Brave Actions would excite us to tread in the same Paths of Honour; if bad, the Reflections on their dishonourable Practices would create in us a Detestation of Vice, and make us endeavour to degenerate from 'em.

*Cou'd but our Ancestors retrieve their Fame,  
And see their Off-spring thus degenerate;  
How we contend for Birth and Names unknown,  
And build on their past Actions, not our own;  
They'd cancel Records; and their Tombs deface,  
And openly disown the vile degenerate Race:  
For Fame of Families is all a Cheat,  
'Tis Personal Virtue only makes us great.*

This Paragraph seems to contradict the main Design of all that went before; for the Intent of the Satyr was to render our Ancestors Infamous, but now he says we Degenerate from 'em, which in plain English is, we do nothing that is not Praise worthy. And I am glad to hear from him that *Personal Virtue only makes us Great*, since he's likely to go without any great Stock of Fame, who has so little Virtue to *Truck* for it by way of Exchange. For if he has as small a share of Honesty, as he has shewn of good Nature, through his whole lamentable piece of Poetry; he may more properly be call'd a *Bankrupt*, than a Dealer in that sort of Commodity.

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